Stewardship Council Meeting MINUTES April 18, 2023

Present: Fr. Peter Quinn, Jackie Butterfield, Jackie Welham, Carolyn Stall, Bob Stall, Laura Doherty, Mary Ysteuta,

Absent: Bethanne Frechette, Father Joe Rossi, Deacon Bill Dwyer, Sue Gormley, Chris Banks, Zonia Urizandi. Joanne Wall, Julie Oliver, Carol Bartalussi (has joined but we forgot to remind her of meeting)

Guests: None

Opening Prayer: led by Jackie Butterfield

Here & Now: All participated.

Minutes: February 15, 2023 accepted

Stewardship Subcommittee Volunteers

• Annual Stewardship Renewal: Jackie B., Mary Y, Chris

• Stewardship Conference (Wichita): Bob, Bethanne

• What's Up Wednesday's: Joanne

• Interested in Co-Chair: Jackie B.

It was suggested that each subcommittee meet to discuss next steps.

Stewardship Renewal Theme for upcoming year

- Everyone was asked to give this some thought so we can decide on theme by the next meeting on June 5th
- Some suggestions were....Coming Home; maybe plan to try that dinner party fundraiser whereby parishioners agree to host dinner party, attendees pay to attend dinner and all meet at the parish for dessert, silent auction etc.

What's Up Wednesday:

- 5/3/23 Pilgrimages Holy Land, Italy, Fatima
 - o Plan to just have cookies and water
 - o Need volunteers to greet/nametags (Jackie B and Jackie W to help)
 - Asked Peg & Al Hicks to help with AV
 - Will wait to see if this Pilgrimage Talk goes well before we schedule another; Ed Schaffer (Camino) and Bob Malnati was also mentioned

- 6/7/23 Start a Social Ministry
 - Ask parishioners, especially young families, to come with their ideas for what social events the church should plan; hopefully get attendees who will also volunteer to help; the Holdaways were one name given....Fr. Peter to ask
- Consider highlighting a ministry that needs help or to let parish know it exists; the Prayer Shawl ministry had a great response just by being mentioned at Mass and having a display after Mass; got new members knitting and gave out a lot of shawls
- Bill Coughlin, who is in charge of Knights of Columbus education, was mentioned as a good resource to tap for another What's Up Wednesday topic

Divine Renovation Book Group – Jackie B, Laura, Carolyn and maybe Jackie W; Will read book, discuss and bring ideas to future meeting

Coffee & Donuts after Masses

- We'd like to bring back this ministry; Carolyn will contact Trina Miller and Karen Cross for help training us on what is needed
- Try to schedule when we know there is an anniversary Mass being said that we believe will be well attended; Carolyn will ask Liz for a list of past year anniversary Masses
 - Be sure the pews are stocked with Landings and Alpha fliers at anniversary Masses
- Can we do something after the 4:00pm Mass on Saturdays???

Report from Finance Council

- Bob mentioned offertory was up year over year
- Fr. Peter mentioned Capital Campaign has reached \$625,000
- Suggested that the Sharing our Blessings banner in bulletin regarding 2-3% of your income contribution we survive, 5% contribution we thrive could be reworded, consider adding to email blast
- Have not heard if we will be excused from Catholic Appeal yet; will need to inform parishioners of this decision

No report on PPC but mentioned that maybe it is time to survey our parishioners for ideas

Next FinCom meeting 4/24/23 – Jackie W to attend Next PPC meeting 5/1/23 – need someone to attend

New Business

2023 "Welcome Back" Parish Picnic

- Date suggested at our meeting was Sunday September 10th; however that date has a conflict so we have penciled in the following Sunday September 17th as the picnic date at St. Anne's
- We have all the vendors for tents, tables, chairs, etc.
- Might consider a "Bring your own picnic" rather than providing food
- Committee to help with this to be formed by early summer

Buying community debt

• Lee Deluca had an idea from her mother who lives in the south about buying community members debt (usually credit card debt) from collection agencies for small amounts....5 cents on the dollar and then forgiving the debt. Would require fundraising. Great community outreach. More information to follow

Next Meeting: Monday June 5th at 7pm at St. Anne's Hall

Closing Prayer: Lead by Jackie B.

Submitted by: Carolyn Stall