OLL Outreach Committee Meeting Minutes

August 2, 2022 6:00 pm

Present: Karen McCabe, Stevie Ritger, Bonnie Steffen, Kati Dimmer, Sara Boeck, Leon Jacoby, and Deb Hamm

Stevie opened the meeting with a meditation on sharing the love and grace of Jesus.

Kati reported that her first month in the Outreach Coordinator position went well. She is setting up the calendar, getting ideas together for the upcoming year and looking at ways to get people involved. 36 people from our cluster went on the June 15th trip to the Our Lady of Good Help Shrine. Two families drove separately and 26 people took the bus.

Gables on the Pond Rosary/Communion: Leon said things are going well.

Hospitality: Thinking of adding another Sunday during the school year. We will keep the second Sunday to coordinate with DS donut Sunday. Then both Priests would each do a Mass and attend hospitality. When RE has Family events, hospitality should be scheduled with that as well. Kati thought it might be fun to have some type of sporting event after Mass such as basketball, volleyball, bean bag toss ect.

Random Lake Fall Fest September 24: OLL will have a booth from 11-4 with setup at 10:00. Water and cupcakes will be provided for a freewill donation. Kati would like to have a drawing for a large stuffed animal to attract kids. Ideas for the booth included information on DS School, pictures from Vacation Bible School, Ham dinner raffle tickets, ect.

Trunk or Treat: This is done before Halloween. Kati will be doing this in Random Lake and at Holy Cross when the dates are set.

Young family survey: This was put together and sent out to Cluster families to find out why young people aren't attending Mass. 68 were returned with about half from DS. Most common responses seemed to be; it is too hard getting up in the morning, Mass is too early, and taking the time to come. Parents of young kids were afraid of people judging and looking at them if kids acted out. About 50% responded that they would be interested in a Sunday evening Mass. Starting a Catholic Moms play group was a top response, followed by a trip to Holy Hill and a sports event with hospitality.

Future Events: Eucharistic Revival – A three year program from FORMED with the focus on helping people understand and believe in the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. Holy Hill – Take a bus group, possibly on a Sunday with no Packer game. In the fall it may be hard to do this on a Saturday with all of the youth sports. Fall craft night – This was done in the past as a woman's night out. Katie will try to organize this again. Back to school personalized bottle night – Kati has the tools to make logo's to put on water bottles. The group thought this may be a good thing for RE to have an event where this could be done.

Other: Leon suggested having speakers after Mass from Anchor of Hope, Mary's Room, Family planning, ect. in light of Roe vs Wade being overturned. It was suggested to Kati to introduce herself to the InterFaith Food Pantry in Adell. They have been looking for more people on their board particularly someone in ministry. Stevie will get the contact information to Katie. Deacon Gerry was very grateful for the quilt he received from the quilting group on his retirement. Leon reported Fr. Guy was also very thankful for the cards.

Meeting closed with prayer at 8:00 pm.

Next meeting: Tuesday, October 4, 6:00 pm

Respectfully submitted, Karen McCabe, Secretary