Creation Care Mission (CCM) Meeting Minutes for November 14, 2019

In attendance: Wayne Kudick, Pat Glen, Becky Nash, Tom O'Grady

- Meeting opened with Ignatian Examen prayer led by Pat and Becky.
- Wayne gave an update on his presentation to the Confirmation students at their retreat on November 10. For the middle school students, we've been asked to wait until January to present. Tom volunteered to help with this. We viewed the Catholic Climate Covenant video Global Weirding: I'm Only A Kid; I can't do anything about climate change, right? https://catholicclimatecovenant.org/resource/im-only-kid-i-cant-do-anything-about-climate-change-right. We would ask Linda if this video would be acceptable if we stop at intervals and interlace it with faith or Laudato Si messages (e.g. our call to dominion, discernment, and dialogue).
- For the video and discussion planned for 11/24/2019 after the 10:00 SB Mass, the group discussed using the Vatican 7-minute video http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/environment/index.cfm. We will plan to keep the venue to about 30 minutes consisting of drinks, intro, watching video, ask a few questions (see below) to generate discussion, and invite people to join the mission. The document from Docksology this year and sheet Actions to Start Now will be available for take-home. Becky will print and bring on Nov. 24. The committee will come at 9:00 AM that morning to set up.
- Becky talked about baselining energy usage in the parish going back at least three years and different methods to give sound bites of success (e.g. idea of Francis the green detective).
 Discussed idea of battery recycling.
- The group gave a status update on reaching out to committees for the St. Francis Pledge. Wayne suggested we reach out to area Catholic Churches with our green progress (purchase policy, etc.)
- Becky reported that Adult Faith Formation is interested in the idea of using some Creation Care theme in the Lenten study group(s). Becky will continue to work on this. Ideas suggested where also finding green themes in the Bible.
- Group discussed our opportunity to have monthly articles in the bulletin in 2020. Pat will work
 on the January article potentially featuring resources available for parishioners to learn about
 caring for the planet and send out for review. Pat will also bring a schedule to the next meeting
 for 2020 with the idea that we work on filling the article ideas for each month ahead of time and
 assign. One idea was fleshing out Laudato Si with its themes of dominion, discernment, dialogue.
- Wayne told the group that it is time for him to resign from this committee for personal reasons. We thanked him for all his passion and efforts and sent him off with a prayer of peace.
- All read the Examen closing prayer.

Next Meeting date: **Thursday, December 5, 2019 at 9:00 in Sister Bay.** Future meeting Thursday, 2/6/2020 at 9:00 in Sister Bay.

2020 Thursdays: 1/2 (TBD), 2/6, 3/5, 4/2, 5/7, 6/4, 7/2, 8/6, 9/3, 10/1, 11/5, 12/3

Creation Care Mission Video and Discussion November 24 Sister Bay 11:00 (after Mass)

Agenda:

- 1) Invite to drinks
- 2) Introduce ourselves and 30-minute venue (video, discuss, take-home sheets)
- 3) Show 7-minute video from Vatican (5th anniversary coming up of Laudato Si)
- 4) Questions for brief dialogue
 - What are your thoughts on this video?
 - What concerns or questions do you have about this?
 - How does it affect us/you?
 - What can you do about it?
 - What can we as a parish do about it?
- 5) Invite all to join the Creation Care Mission in some way (meetings 1st Thursday of the month).