

Last LFFC meeting February 7, 2023, next meeting March 7, 2023

Faith Formation Intern – Need to start thinking about staffing for next year. Depends on Liz’s health and if the current intern, Ellie Shaw, is interested in continuing.

Elementary School – Grade K4-5th/First Reconciliation and Eucharist

Elementary – Family Program – The third (of 4) instruction/dinner will be held on Monday February 27. Brain McLinden and Liz are working on a script for Adoration on February 26/27.

First Communion – May 6/7. A “Date Selection Form” will be available this month for families to choose the mass they would like to attend for their child’s First Communion.

Middle School and High School – Grade 6-11/Confirmation

Youth Mass – The third (of five) Youth Mass was on January 28 at the 5:00 pm Mass. Participation is improving. It is mandatory for students to participate in the Mass as a part of their formation. Next Youth Mass is February 19 at the 10:30 am Mass.

Confirmation – Retreat completed on January 20-22 at the St. Vincent Pallotti Retreat Center in Elkhorn. 8 candidates attended (5 QOA, 2 St Dominic, 1 St Anthony on the Lake). The Retreat Center did not have a problem with the low numbers and the retreat itself worked well with 2 small groups of 4 each. Food was poor at the Retreat Center. In 2024, there are only 5 candidates at QOA so far. There is discussion to combine just the retreat part with St. Anthony on the Lake. Father Chuck is not interested in combining other parts of the MS and HS programs at this time.

National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) – Next one is November 16-19 in Indianapolis. NCYC is open to every teen at QOA. Liz emailed a small group that may be particularly interested. Deposits are due in April. Participants register through their parishes as part of the Archdiocesan delegation. Total cost is \$650. In the past, individuals were asked to contribute \$250 each and fundraise the rest through parish/community. Scholarships through the Archdiocese may be available.

Adult Ministry – Ages 18 and Up

Young Adult – Planning to send care packages to parish college students for Lent.

Baptism Preparation – Next session Tuesday March 14 6:30-8:00 pm.

Adult Bible Study – No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ’s Passion started February 8 and will run until March 8 (Wednesday morning and Thursday evening). A Wednesday morning series on Mary will start after Easter.

Disciple Maker Index (DMI)/Envisioning Committee – Flyer for the “School of Discipleship” came out on January 21/22. Liz is helping Debbie Bisswurm launch her book study on “The Marian Option” by Dr. Carrie Gress. Liz is offering a “Reconciliation Refresher” between the Masses on March 12.

Respectfully submitted by Cindy Klopp

Human Concerns Report

February 2023

The February Human Concerns Commission meeting will be next Tuesday February 21.

Recent highlights:

- **Funeral Luncheons**—Great news! Becky Wagner is taking on the role of coordinating funeral lunches. Pat Monfre will connect with Becky to answer any questions. Bob will connect with her since he coordinates funerals.
- **Mercy Mats**—*The following message is an update from Lori:* The Mercy Mat group meets once per month and works together to make the plarn (plastic yard). After that the crocheters use the plarn and make mats at home. To date, **the group has donated 168 mats to the MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary**, where they are distributed to both the homeless and others who might need a sleeping mat. This is truly a labor of love as well as an effort to keep plastic out of our landfills. Thanks to all that currently participate, and there is always an open invitation to anyone who would like to assist in the effort.
- **Respect-Life**—On Monday January 23 we had a Holy Hour for the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. About 8 people attended and we were asked to do this on a regular basis. Starting February 20, there will be a Holy Hour for Life on the third Monday of every month at 7pm. We handed out Spiritual Adoption cards the last weekend in January. The baby bottle campaign is well underway and we've been receiving a good response. All bottle to be returned by the end of the month.

January Month-End
From John S.

Balance Sheet

- Cash increased \$23,911 for the month of January. We received a few RMD checks that we did not receive last year.
- Liabilities decreased \$12,254 for a balance of \$33,094.

Income Statement

- Revenue for the month of January is favorable to the budget by \$32,563. Y-T-D revenue is at \$468,402 or \$22,770 favorable to the budget of \$445,632.
- Expenses came in unfavorable to the budget by \$144 for the month. Expenses continue to be favorable to the Y-T-D budget by \$28,239.
- Net Income of \$36,165 was favorable to the budget of \$3,778 by \$32,387. Y-T-D net income is favorable to the budget by \$51,009.

Prayer and Worship February report

Prayer and Worship is in full Lenten planning mode.

Brian and Mary Tannis are working on the Lenten flyer that will list of all the opportunities for worship during the Lenten season. It will include times for Reconciliation, Adoration, Rosary and Stations of the Cross.

Mary Weinlein will again be putting Rice Bowl boxes in the bulletin. She is setting up a group of volunteers for this project.

We will be collecting food for the Pewaukee Food Pantry through the 40 cans for Lent donations. Steve Klopp has generously offered to take the collections to the food pantry.

Palm Sunday weekend will have a blessing of palms at the Saturday 5:00 mass with palms on tables for all the other masses.

The E Team has chosen and ordered the palms that will be used for blessing and for decorating the church.

Holy Thursday will have an evening mass with a foot washing. The E Team will be setting up the altar of repose in Grellinger Hall.

Good Friday will be the Reading of the Passion of Our Lord. With a Communion Service and reverencing of the Cross. The Junior High religious education program will have "Religious Encounter" on Good Friday from 5pm-10pm.

Holy Saturday there will be a Blessing of the Easter food. It is such a wonderful tradition and we will try to promote it better in the bulletin.

Eater Vigil and Easter Sunday masses are being planned. Because of the large numbers we have at these masses we are re-evaluating our masked areas at these masses and going forward. We have been checking the numbers and we are averaging 12-15 on Saturday and 3 on Sunday. We are looking at how to split the masked area in a way that makes the people using it feel comfortable. Anyone is welcome to wear a mask in any part of the church.

Saturday March 4 from 9-12 will be a Morning of Reflection for Lectors and Eucharistic ministers. The focus will be on the spirituality and calling in our ministries.