

Last LFFC meeting July 18. No August meeting. Next meeting September 5.

Upcoming Religious Education School Year:

1. Faith Formation Intern, Ellie Shaw is planning on returning to serve the Middle School families. Contract has not been signed yet, due to Ellie serving at a camp in Ohio this summer.
2. Religious Education registration has been available since July and preferred by August 6. 30 out of 48 families, that are expected to re-register from last year, have registered so far. 1 family has left. 1 family has returned (after an absence) and 3 new families are registered. Liz has obtained a list of those families who are registered members of QOA, but don't have their kids enrolled. 119 families total. Liz contacted them all (106 by email, 13 by postal mail). Total of 2 responses so far, 1 has left and 1 has enrolled a child and a father.
3. Setting up the calendar for 2023-2024 is almost complete. Still working on MS/HS retreats and a few HS speakers.
4. Catechists and Small Group Leaders are set for the school year including 4 High School Seniors who have volunteered to help. 3 catechists and Liz, are attending the Archdiocese's Catechetical Conference on August 26. Catechist meeting to kick-off the year is August 29. Catechetical Sunday is the weekend of September 16/17 with a blessing for all catechists and parents.
5. End of the year survey feedback from elementary grades, from the 2022-2023 school year, has been positive. Last year the goal was to make the activities more engaging for the youngest learners and it was a success.
6. Youth Masses will be 3/semester. 1 with pancake breakfast (start and end), 1 without, and 1 just for Confirmation. Confirmation youth will no longer be required to be on the regular ministry schedule, but will be required to help at the youth masses.
7. Confirmation will be held on April 25, 2024 at 7:00pm with Bishop Schuerman. The celebration will be combined with St Anthony on the Lake, but held at Queen of Apostles. The Confirmation retreat will also be combined with St Anthony on the Lake.
8. Liz Kuhn continues to work with multiple people individually as they prepare to receive sacraments. (a) Two sisters entering Grades 8 & 9 preparing for First Reconciliation and Communion, (b) 4th Grade girl seeking private preparation for First Reconciliation and Communion. (c) 2 RCIA people who need First Reconciliation-have been prepared, (d) a catechumen (never baptized), (e) an RCIA candidate (converting from another Christian tradition), (f) adult Confirmation candidate, and (g) RCIA adult who was baptized Catholic but never celebrated First Communion or Confirmation. May need to consolidate these meetings and bring other catechists into the process.

Adult Bible Study – Heather has done the planning the Bible Study offerings for 2023-2024. The Wednesday offerings are: Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist (9/20-10/11), The Sermon on the Mount (10/25-11/15), An Advent Retreat with Mary (11/29-12/20), When You Pray: A Clear Path to a Deeper Relationship with God (1/10-2/21), The Jewish Roots x 3 (2/28-3/20) and Turning Point: Eight Encounters with Jesus That Will Change Your Life (4/3-5/29). Thursday night Bible Study is on pause. Christy Rosenberger is facilitating The Chosen and Debbie Bisswurm is facilitating Walking with Mary on Thursday nights. Bible Study is awaiting a new facilitator to come on board for Thursday nights.

Respectfully submitted by Cindy Klopp

Prayer and Worship Commission Meeting

Minutes - July 28, 2023

Present: Mary Tannis, Mary Weinlein, Jill Teske, Bernadette Gordon, Stephanie Fong, Gary Mathis, Grace Majewski, Brian McLinden

Excused: Ellen Donley

The main purpose of this meeting was to meet Grace and say farewell to Brian. Each member of the Commission presented a brief summary of their activities to support the goals of the Commission. Grace, in turn, told us her background which led to her joining QoA.

Brian made it clear that he was leaving his position at QoA to take care of his wife as she undergoes treatment for cancer – not because of another job opportunity. Comments were made to express gratitude for Brian's contributions to this Commission and his great gift of music to uplift all of us each week.

Mary Tannis commented on the re-introduction of auto-scheduling to fill the positions for the weekend masses. She continues to refine the availability of members to meet the needs for lectors, altar servers, greeters, and ushers. There is a continuing need to recruit for those positions as well as eucharistic ministers, choir members, and musicians. We will do a walk-thru after each mass on August 26th and 27th to clarify the process for eucharistic ministers.

After discussion, the name for the E-Team will remain E-Team.

There will be Vigil Mass on Monday August 14, and an August 15 mass for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Next Meetings (Fridays at 1:30pm):

September 8	February 9
October 13	March 8 or 15
November 10	April 12
December 15	May 10
January 12	

Stewardship Committee Notes 8/8/2023

- We are revising/updating the ministry booklets and would like all liaisons to review their section will their committees and email all changes to Debbie Esser by next month.
- Meet n Eat scheduled 19/20
 - Hosted by Stewardship Committee
 - It will also be Lost and Found and Pick up your Dishes Weekend
- New Parishioner Brunch 10/22
 - 5 new families
 - All PC are invited and encouraged to attend.
- All Souls Reception 11/2
- Fish fry dates for Fall 2023
 - 10/13 and 11/10
- Confirmation Reception w/St. Anthony 4/25/24
- Stewardship Campaign
 - Commitment weekend 11/4 and 11/5
- Adopt a Highway
 - 10/7/2023
- Bubbas
 - TBD

Human Concerns Report

August 2023

The Human Concerns Commission met on 8/15/23. Recent highlights:

- **Pewaukee Food Pantry Ministry**— Lisa continues to add a list of needed items to the weekly bulletin and the donated items are taken to the food pantry each week.
- **Bereavement Ministry**—As no one has been attending the sessions recently, it is being requested that we add bereavement ministry to the list of contacts in the bulletin and add Nancy Farmer as the contact.
- **Funeral Luncheons**— No update.
- **Prayer Shawl**— Considering a request from Steph Fong regarding a non-profit that takes children with cancer to the “ North Pole”—looking for handmade items for children. Steph to contact Gail Fream about this. Phyllis and Gail reported on the many items that are delivered monthly to Waukesha Memorial Hospital including baby blankies for children who come to the ER, 145 Beanie Babies, Prayer shawls, heart monitor bags, renal sleeves, as well as many additional items to various locations in the area. (They also received a donation of a collector teddy bear and are considering auctioning it off.)
- **Mercy Mats**—No update.
- **Home Outreach**—Gerry Parenteau and Bunny Nogalski continue to go to Arbor View every Tuesday.
- **Christian Women**—Off for the summer. Will be making plans for the October Baby Shower.
- **Respect-Life**—We continue to do a Holy Hour for Life on the third Monday of every month with 5 people regularly attending. Will be submitting additional Respect Life intercessions that are created by the USCCB that can be used at Masses throughout the year. Consider moving brochure rack to more prominent location to display more information about Respect Life, Project Rachel, The Gabriel Project and more.
- **The Band**— Has an upcoming performance on 8/22 at Ruby Commons (formerly Heritage Place).
- **St. Dismas Jail Ministry**—John Quaal attending the August meeting and provided an overview of this ministry that is funded through the St. Vincent de Paul Council. The ministry started in 1990. Every Sunday, Communion services are offered to inmates for 4 locations/groups: men, women, Spanish speaking, and inmates at the Huber facility. In addition to the Sunday services, inmates can request 1:1 meeting and John, Mike Heckenkamp and Tom Pipines provide this service. They often team up to meet with people and provide spiritual counseling and mentoring. They have also accompanied

inmates to their court dates. They learned today that they may have to adjust some of their services due to HIPPA rules.

- **St. Vincent de Paul Society**—July school supply drive brought in a large amount of supplies as well as \$1,195 donations. The supplies are taken to St. Williams where they are distributed in back packs to those in need from the area parishes. Carol reported 11 requests from our St. Vincent de Paul program. Currently SVDP is assisting/supporting a local woman and her child with housing. Their major annual fundraiser is their golf outing this month.
- **St. Vincent de Paul – Bingo**—Bingo continues every third Monday at Gina's Sports Dock and so far this year they have raised \$4,248.
- **St. Vincent de Paul Meal Program**—The meal served last time was tacos and 144 people were served. The meals are now served as dine-in only.



2023 Commission/Council Assignments

Lifelong Faith Formation

Cindy Klopp
John Henry
Youth rep - unfilled

Prayer & Worship

Stephanie Fong
Gary Mathis

Human Concerns

Debbie Bisswurm

Stewardship

Becky Wagner

Pastor: Fr. Chuck Hanel

Finance Council

Tom Farley
Chris Behrndt

Trustees / Pastoral Council

Dale Servais
Tim Dondlinger

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Dale Servais
Mic Pietrykowski

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Chair - Kent Rice
Vice Chair - Tom Farley
Secretary - Stephanie Fong