Trinity Cluster Faith Formation Committee Meeting Minutes- August 2020

Meeting held in St. Patrick hall, Fr. Chris attended by phone. John Winter, Linda Plaht, Cathy Wright and Tammy Thompson were present.

Discussion held on Virtual vs. in-person religious education. Decision confirmed that FF would resume in October. Elementary would be in person, middle school and high school would meet virtually. Elementary would go to virtual sessions if needed (depending on COVID-19 status of County)- though this is not ideal.

Discussion around options to organize a youth group that would participate in community service projects. Assistance with Deracho clean-up efforts in and around Cedar Rapids was discussed.

Discussion around NCYC continuation and how this will be funded going forward. In the past the Cluster has carried the majority of the expense for students to attend. The Cluster cannot continue to financially support this option. It is the consensus that students would be liable for more (if not all of the cost) to attend in the future. Fundraising has great participation by some students, but not all students do their share.

Father Chris spoke to some other alternatives for youth (other than NCYC). Weekend spiritual camps/day camps are thought to have a greater impact with youth. Students would do community service projects during the day and have speakers/talks at the end of a day. Father was going to reach out to someone that he knows, familiar with these types of youth events.