

St. Vincent Parish Pastoral Care Commission Minutes  
February 20, 2022

Present: Donna Warner, John Bryan, Martie Bender. Fr. Norm again joined us for part of the meeting.

Aaron Tripp was excused due to work commitments. Jim Angiulo and Marie Rader have withdrawn from the Commission due to family commitments. Anita Meeker said she would not continue as a member of the Commission, but would be willing to help out with events.

We again discussed the status of this Commission as our membership has remained very small. It is hoped that more people can be encouraged to join us. John will continue as the Chairman/Moderator until we find someone else. Fr. Norm said he would help us find more members.

Opening Prayer: John read from James 2:21, 14-15: *"What good is it, my brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save him? Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to him, 'Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed,' but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it? In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead."*

Loss and Recovery Ministry: Aaron reported that their survey is out to plan their next steps. The survey is on the website and should be coming out in a Formed email soon.

Prime Timers (55+): No events are planned as far as this Commission knows. It is up to this group to plan and organize their events.

Hope and Healing Beyond Addiction: We are tentatively scheduling this event for the week of April 24th. Martie will check with Peggy Wellemeyer about church availability and with Nancy Daley about music availability. John will be in touch with Andy Davis about speakers and format, since Andy had helped create this event.

Eucharistic Ministry to Nursing Home/Homebound: We talked about doing outreach to Hickory Ridge Nursing and Rehab Center. John will be in touch with Jim Angiulo since he had indicated he was going to start visiting there. John reported that The Merriman is reluctant to have people come in because of Covid. John will ask John Kassell to include in the information that goes out from the Parish that we can send someone to bring Communion to anyone who is homebound. Anyone who is interested can contact the Parish. Martie will contact Peggy to find out who is in charge of Eucharistic Ministers in order to find out who is available to make home visits.

Ideas for Future Outreach: We decided not to tackle anything new until our membership increases.

Closing Prayer: Hail Mary.

Next Meeting: March 20, 2022