

Attendees: Fr. Murphy, Pat Alberto, Moira Bailey, Kerry Dineen, Andrew Hauser, Kathleen Griffin-Kluger, Sandy Maskell, Shu-Fy Pongnon, Frank San Pietro, Andrew Schilling

Welcome | Opening Prayer

Old Business

I. Hospitality Sundays: First Sunday of every month

Dinner & Dessert : November 8

The group picked up the discussion of this fall “Friend Raiser” to be sponsored by the PPC, including ways to enlist the support of several parish families who often engage in opportunities such as this. We also talked about the role of the Young Adult Spirituality group working with us. Shu-Fy and Kerry, who both participate in the group shared that while their living arrangements did not make it possible to host a dinner, they would see their role as helping to host the after-dinner gathering for dessert and coffee.

Action Steps

- Send out a “Save the Date” via the Bulletin
- Sandy to reach out to the Young Adult Spirituality group to ask about their participation.

II. “rebuild” and “tools for rebuilding” Wrap-up Discussion

We talked about ways in which the PPC can take ownership of ideas/actions that can help toward building community and engagement in the Parish. Several areas, in particular, were discussed:

a. Hospitality Sunday

We discussed ways in which the PPC Hospitality Sundays have been successful in engaging parishioners. The group is in agreement that the PPC will continue to host a on the first Sunday of the month, starting in October – May. There are still some minor details to remember for when this resumes next fall:

- Name Tags should be worn
- Pre-assign the “Anchors” for the day so that the role can be rotated over the year.

b. Social Media Outreach

Kerry and Shu-Fy are very knowledgeable in this space and had several thoughts in regards to how Social Media could be used to strengthen engagement within the Parish:

- Optimizing current channels of communication: Facebook

III. Fundraising and Spirituality Survey

We discussed how to proceed with a parish survey and what topics to include without it becoming too unwieldy. Sandy updated the PPC on a meeting with a small group that is looking at the fund development systems already in place and what might be done to help strengthen a sense of stewardship and tithing within the parish.

There is understanding that we still need a stronger understanding of “Who is St. Saviours” in terms of collecting more demographic data. It will be key to determine what the survey’s goals are and then work from there in terms of identifying the best way to collect demographic data.

We also discuss the importance of providing information to parishioners without overwhelming families with too much information. Some ideas discussed included:

- Adding information into the new parishioner packages
- Transparency around the annual giving cycle and where funds go
- Starting the effort with a “Thank You” to parishioners from Fr. Murphy, for all the support already given.
- A “Why I Joined” campaign in which current parishioners give written (and videoed) testimony to why and how they support the Parish. This can speak to the strength and the diversity within the parish. Another suggestion was a “Parishioner of the Month” or featured quote in the bulletin.

New Business

IV. 2014-2015 Pastoral Council

Six members leave the PPC: Sandy, Pat, Kathleen, Gillian, Charlie, and Cindi.

There are eight (8) remaining members, in addition to Fr. Murphy, Sr. Valeria, Geri Anne O’Beirne, and Maura Lorenzen, who will move forward in the fall.

Items for 2014-2015

- Family Group and Family Group Alumni meeting during Hospitality Sundays and on alternate weeks – a way to keep warm and stay connected as children transition to the School of Religion. Perhaps add a “meet the teacher” component (Drew H.). Next steps could include: meeting with Sue Walsh; find common space; inquire about a budget for alternate weeks; invitations to families.
- Music Ministry: seeking ways to better engage parishioners in participation from the pews. Engage with Iouri around what questions he may have for the parish survey.

V. Wrap-Up: Closing Prayer

REMINDER

PPC meetings are the **2nd Tuesday** of the month

September 9: Selection of the PPC Chair and Secretary