

**Saint John the Baptist
Faith Formation Commission
September 2017 Minutes
Room SJH**

Date:	September 19th, 2017	Chair	Tom Pomeroy	Staff Liaison	Jessica Balzarini
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Member/Attendee	Present	Member/Attendee	Present
Cheryl P.	X	Mary K (<i>Staff</i>)	X
Jackie S.	Absent	Jessica Zingsheim	X
Jessica B (Staff Liaison)	X	Michelle Stori	X
Joni M.	X	Max Robbins	X
Melanie D.	X	Tom P. (Chair)	X
Mary Beth L.	X	Jodie W. (<i>recorder</i>)	X
		Guest: Father Skluzacek	X

- I. Opening Prayer – Tom
- II. Focus Statements –aloud together
- III. Approval of Minutes – August Minutes Approved
- IV. Items for discussion:
- a. Reporting –
 1. Updates from Ministry Leaders – No updates
 - a. Live Presentation(s) – No presentations
 2. Discussion of New Mission
 - a. Well received – I-Gen -90yr old’s thoughtful of each member and met them where they are at,
 - b. Communication will look different for a I-Gen & 90-year-old parishioners
 - c. Hand out reviewed “Mission, Vision & Values”
 - d. Read “ongoing formation” Values:
 - i. Building a bridge of trust is needed
 - ii. Keep in mind engaging younger population
 - iii. How do we connect with those who never darken the door?
 1. Is Fall Fest an avenue? Dances, bands, food
 2. How do we go out, if they do not come into church?
 - a. Be welcoming, nice, evangelize in your workplace
 - b. Ask for Holy Spirit, pray about it
 - c. Catholics need training on how to Invite people in, discussed a “how to” table
 - d. Kids naturally evangelize
 - e. Relevant formation
 - f. Different communication for each group – find the gaps
 - g. Connect each member based on interests – an app?
 - iv. **Tom -our chair -challenged each member to bring in 1 person**
 1. Example: if you saw a good movie, you naturally talk it up
 2. Evangelizing & Bring people into “what”
 3. Love brings/exudes “JOY” and its infectious. Pray to just Love people first. 1st we pray for love of souls then love, then we can more easily invite people in.
 - v. Fr. Skluzacek “FF commission can be the fun commission, that is where it starts”
3. Calendar of Events
 - Upcoming Events:
 - ODM Hospitality after masses weekend OCT 14 -15
 - 4:30: Joni & Cheryl – ODM Staff – Jen Livermont
 - 8:30: Michelle Stori – ODM Staff – Adam Rooble (as of 3 pm 10/13)

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- 10:30: Zingsheim -ODM Staff – Mary Kohlhaas
 - All Saints Party October 25th
 - Volunteers: Joni, Mary Beth, Cheryl come at 5 pm
 - Need more volunteers: engage others... email Jodie
- V. 1. New-Goals for 2017-18 Commission- Items to Add/Grow/Improve 2017-18
- a. Dedicated Women’s Retreats
 - b. Dedicated Men’s Retreats
 - c. Diaconate Ordination Field Trip- Dec 8th Priesthood in May
 - d. Peer Mentors/Spiritual Mentors
 - e. Child Care – Keeps couples participating together
 - f. Young Families, Young Married Families, Young Adults
 - g. Visual Music as form of prayer exposure for SJB school children through mass or music class – work with Ann and create sub-committee(s)
 - h. Create ODM wish list for youth or other- Ex. Pool Cues for youth room
 - i. Engage young couples -look at outside parishes doing this well, ex. Holy Family Guild @ Epiphany
 - j. Bonfire(s) for families – to bring like groups together ex. Baptism families
 - k. Focus on “FAMILIES”
 - l. Work to create strong people to Lead
 - m. Brewery Tour – Brewery of the month
 - n. Mixers
 - o. Arts, theatre, music events of the month
 - p. New Parishioners:
 - i. New family connections
 - ii. We should have 1 point person as connector Ex Megan Weeks
 - iii. Fr. As a point person – he gets a list of new parishioners
 - iv. Cards at end of pews for those interested in being a connector based on their interests
 - v. Meet and Greet app needed
1. New Business:
2. Old Business:
Policy Handbook
Discuss how to reach out to families not registered in parish programming: school or faith formation
3. Other: none
4. **Action Items:**
 - a. **Specific Item: How to organically grow C2-1st child? How to accomplish
Who are point people on commission:**
5. Date of Next Meeting: **October 19, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.**
Prayer Assignment – Opening -Max
Prayer Assignment – Closing - Jessica
6. Closing Prayer Sept: Fr. Skluzacek
7. Adjourn: 8:32 p.m.

2017-18 Meeting Dates:

Aug 25, ~~Sept 19~~, Oct 17, Nov 21, Dec 12, Jan 23, Feb 20, Mar 20, Apr 17, May 15, June 5