

# Saint John the Baptist – Evangelization & Stewardship Commission

## Meeting Agenda/Minutes

<b>Date:</b>	October 18, 2018	<b>Time:</b>	6:30 pm to 7:45 pm
<b>Chair/ Vice Chair</b>	Linda Harmon Charlie Nickoloff	<b>Location:</b>	St. John's
<b>Recorder:</b>	Neil Steffl (This month)	<b>PLC Rep:</b>	Neil Steffl

Member	Present	Member	Present	Member	Present	Member/Attendee	Present
Linda H.	X	Jim S,	X	Bret S.	X		
Charlie N.	X	Neil S.	X				
Mark H.	X	Kate A.	X	Naomi H.	X		
<b>Staff Representative:</b>	Bret Sutton						
<b>Guest(s) &amp; Purpose:</b>							

### Parish Mission: GO. MAKE. TEACH

**Opening Prayer:** Neil S. led the opening prayer

#### Administrative:

- September Minutes were approved as amended.
- Commission Membership: There are currently two open positions, next month there will be three. Thank you Naomi for your service to E&S.
- We had a short discussion on the member involvement, encouraging all to pick their favorite project and participate or lead to accomplish our goals.

#### Goals

- Work continues on our E&S Goal to develop a Financial Giving Workshop. The workshop would assist parishioners, and especially our younger adults, on the “whys” of stewardship while also educating on topics related to financial planning that are key to building your wealth and protecting your family from financial risks.
- We are looking for a champion for our goal of distributing the booklet, Welcome to our Church Mass Guide. Jim W. will get cost estimates for bulk quantities.
- Work continues on the goal to reach the inactive, getting and training people to call the inactive. Callers will be encouraged to invite inactive to events then meet and evangelize the inactive.

#### Evangelization

- E&S wants to encourage the new Website to be completed as soon as possible, projecting from first impression that SJB is welcoming in line with Jessica's Hospitality Presentation this evening.
- E&S is designing a “Calling Card” to be used for evangelizing efforts and encouraging curiosity around our faith community. That card and the new website referenced on the card must bridge the discipleship encounter.
- E&S is taking-action to engage and learn more information about the ministries and committees that fall under E&S. As a first step the commission chair visited the “Living in the Divine Will Prayer” Ministry. To learn “What” is the Ministry, “Why” does it exist, and “How” do they accomplish their mission. It is hoped that E&S can then be more effective in communicating the message and mission of these ministries.
- E&S will do Hospitality on Nov 10-11<sup>th</sup>.

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### Stewardship

- The One Spirit Many Gifts forms will be mailed in early November.
- It was suggested that anyone who previously pledged money as part of One Spirit Many Gifts pledge but has not pledged in the past two years or three years should get a phone call. The message would be that we are trying to get everyone to pledge and would really appreciate whatever amount you are able to pledge.
- Note the 2018 Fallfest income comparison to 2 years ago net earnings of \$31,000 is in part a reflection that Fallfest was a 2-day event two years ago vs the three-day event this year.

### New Business

- The Commission will be donating and handing out bags with Christian messages, "Christ's Light" at the parish "Trunk or Treat" event. Kids can take and use these bags to gather candy at the event and Halloween.
- Brett was asked to capture the contact information of the Fallfest envelopes that were not picked up.

### Committee Reports

- Alpha has been suspended until Spring because of no guests. Since inception, five years ago Alpha has reached 300.
- We will be recruiting callers for Reaching out to the Inactive goal.

### Tabled Projects

- How to have all Commissions review the USCCB "Stewardship A Disciple's Response A Pastoral Letter on Stewardship."

**Staff Report** (Bret Sutton) will be attending the Amazing Parish Conference this week.

### Closing Prayer

**Ministries:** New Parishioner Welcome, Legacy, ALPHA, Funeral Hospitality

**Committees:** Nominating, By-Laws, Hospitality after Mass

**Future Meeting Dates:** 11/20; 12/11; 1/15; 2/12; 3/12; 4/9; 5/14; 6/11