

Saint John the Baptist Discipleship and Mission Commission Minutes

Date:	January 19, 2020	Chair	Melanie Dowell	Staff Liaison	Jennifer Livermont
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Member/Attendee	Present	Member/Attendee	Present
<i>OPEN seat</i>		Cheryl Puffer	
Jessica Balzarini	X	OPEN seat	
Melanie Dowell (<i>Chair/PLC REP</i>)	X	Neil Steffl	X
Jean Koslowski	X	Jodie Wolla (<i>recorder</i>)	X
Jen Livermont (<i>Staff Liaison</i>)	X	Karl Zabinski	X
Joni Metz		Guest: Josh Willmert & Emily Carlberg	X
<i>OPEN seat</i>		Guest: Mikayla Anderson	X

- Opening Prayer - Jen
- Mission Statements – Read aloud by Karl.
- Topics for Discussion
 - Introduce visitors: Josh Willmert and Emily Carlberg -parishioner for 4 years, lives in Blaine.
 - **Year of St. Joseph** -time to discuss Jen’s question: **“How can we incorporate St. Joseph into this year?”**
 - Pray or do a prayer in front of St. Joseph statue
 - Can we put St. Joseph in a more prominent place this year?
 - Highlight “what” and “how” we can pray to St. Joseph this year.
 - Highlight books on St. Joseph.
 - Litany of St. Joseph -use his powerful intercession – he is a powerful Saint.
 - Place Holy cards by his statue.
 - Bring St. Joseph into Reach More
 - **On Father’s Day** – being he was a foster father and a carpenter, get home depot aprons and have father’s and kids build something together, ask Bill Jehorek to be a part of this activity.
- Regular Evening Overview –
 - i. Update from previous month’s PLC.
 - ii. Live Reports – Mikayla
 - MS Youth Group & HS Youth Group
 - a. Back in person doing static activities, small group & large group on different nights.
 - b. Bringing leaders into groups
 - c. Adding adoration
 - Leadership Group
 - a. Ten high school students training
 - b. Sharing testimonies at Cornerstone masses
 - Confirmation
 - a. Back in person in February with static activities
 - iii. Written Report from Jessica
 - Reach More – Lenten Small Group
 - a. Begins Ash Wednesday, day/evening times and many days to choose from
 - b. Focus – Sunday Readings
 - c. Sm. Groups are evangelizing, focused on encountering Jesus through reading & prayer, establish habits of discipleship: Christ in center of life, listening to him, daily prayer, entering fully into Sacramental life, authentic community life, sharing Jesus with others.
 - d. 8 new leaders for Lenten groups
 - RCIA
 - a. 5 candidates for full communion with Catholic Church
 - i. Each Baptized in another faith.
 - ii. Will come into full communion at Easter.

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- iii. Currently in the 2nd stage with this group, called Catechumenate.
 - b. 1 Catechumen working toward Baptism, 1st Communion and Confirmation also on track for Easter Sacraments.
 - c. 3rd Stage, purification and enlightenment starts 1st Sunday of Lent.
 - 1st Reconciliation Retreat – January 24th
 - 1st Reconciliation – February 6th
 - Baptism Prep –
 - a. being streamlined and updated including website, forms, email, dates etc. for families with children under 7.
 - i. Michael Lane is our new staff working with this Sacrament.
 - Cana Event –
 - a. February 13th at 3 pm is live speaker, a special blessing during 4:30 pm Mass, date box to go after Mass.
 - i. hosting a live speaker and in-person (online option) at 3 pm, blessing at Mass at 4:30 p.m. and a “date night” appetizer/drink box to take home (or pick up for online speaker participation) date box pick up after Mass at 5:30 pm
 - ii. couples can live stream Mass, pick up date box and get a link to watch the speaker from home.
 - iii. Childcare provided.
- iv. Live Reports – Jen
 - Sunday Nursery – restarted 1/17/21.
 - Sunday School – restarted 1/17/21.
 - Family Formation – February is planned in person.
 - Childcare – restarted 1/14/21 for Circle and Reach More small groups.
- v. Written Report from ministries under DMC
 - Circle – back January 14th – Michelle Stori
 - a. Wild Goose Series
 - b. 15-25 women onsite
- New Business –
 - i. Calendar of Events:
 - Cana Dinner – Report from Karl Zabinski -see Jessica’s ODM report
 - Devoted – back in person February 24th.
- Old Business –
 - i. Recap - Journey to the Inn
 - Volunteer Holiday Event & Speaker – postponed to May 7th?
- Other – Jean Koslowski proposed a “Teaching Mass.”
 - Older parishioners are interested in a teaching mass.
 - See Jean for more details & information.
- Ending Prayer - Neil
- Adjourn – 7:56 p.m.