

St. John The Baptist Parish Groups & Activities Commission

Meeting Minutes

Date: 1/17/2023

Attendees: Rita, Tom, Taylor, Joseph, Tessa, Maria, Jim

Absent: Molly, John

Opening Prayer

Group Updates

- **New Business/Discussion/Review**
 - **Library Software and Communications**
 - **Jeannie Kratzer will be joining our commission in February.**
 - **Plan to spread the word about the library and generate traffic to the library**
 - Announcement after Mass
 - Card on Harvest Table with library
 - Signs on easels (potentially something similar to new parishioner signs?)
 - **Communicate with Library Committee on where we're at**
 - PLC would like to see more traffic to the library before making an investment
 - Jeannie will be joining our commission next month, so we plan to ask her what she needs
 - **The Baseball Diamond Question from PLC**
 - St. John's is doing LOTS, but we believe that SJB could do a better job of communicating with some of its smaller ministries, committees, events, groups, etc. Could we rotate an announcement at Mass that highlights some of our lesser promoted ministries (library, gardeners, quilters, etc.) We hear a LOT about some of our bigger ministries, such as Devoted, Watchman, etc.
 - To get people around the diamond and keep our parishioners actively engaged and invested, can we do a "gift inventory" in order to help recruit people who already have a passion, gift, talent, or interest in some area? Could we have a ministry fair where there is a table for each ministry all together at once? We already have the audience, so how do we captivate them and get them to commit to using their gifts?
- **Open Items**
 - Member Update
 - We are still in need two more members on our commission
 - Thank Yous Goal
 - Jim, who wasn't present last month, signed all the Thank You cards

Next Meeting

- January 17

Closing Prayer