# Saint John the Baptist

### **Discipleship and Mission Commission**

### Minutes

Date:	February 20, 2024	Chair	Emily Carlberg	Staff Liaison	Jill Fink

Next Meeting: March 19, 2024

Member/Attendee	Present	Member/Attendee	Present
Melanie Dowell (PLC REP)	x	Deb Marsh	Absent
Emily Carlberg (Chair)	х	Neil Steffl	х
Jill Fink (Staff Liaison)	х	Mike Uzelac	Absent
Joshua Haberman	х	Jodie Wolla (recorder)	Absent
Erin Hardy	x	Karl Zabinski	х
Jackie King	Absent	Guest: Greg Beyer	x

I. Opening Prayer – Jill led the Lent week 1 prayer from the small groups book.

II. Snacks – No snacks due to lent

- III. Mission Statements (Recite Aloud)
  - A. Parish Mission Statement: Bearing witness to Jesus Christ who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life: GO. MAKE. TEACH.
  - B. DMC Mission Statement "Inspiring and Leading all at St. John's to become intentional disciples of Jesus Christ through evangelization and faith formation within the heart of the Catholic Church."

Commission Question: How is your Lenten journey going? Members shared their experience so far and hopes in the way of prayer, fasting and almsgiving during this penitential season.

**Opening Comments** 

- a. 2c Field Team at Journey to the Inn Neil reported that there were no Field Team members on mission at this event and he didn't feel it would be a good use of their time in the future.
- b. Lenten Small Groups Neil reported on 46 registered groups with about 380 participants.
- c. Cana Dinner Karl reported that it was a success with 72 participants and 12 volunteers. Steve and Christy Broszko gave an inspiring talk on drawing from the good wine of the sacrament of marriage.
- IV. Report from last PLC Meeting/Other Reports
  - a. Review January Minutes
  - b. Review Written Reports. Jill gave some verbal context to the ODM current program development.
  - c. PLC Report this month. Greg gave some insight into the report.
- V. Old Business
  - a. 4d St. John's Program Attendees as Non-Parishioners Campaign. Family Formation and Middle School engaged on December 6. Deacon Michael met with Rita to understand Parishsoft coding of non-members. Members are made inactive only upon request. When Parishsoft was opened up to all parishes the editing feature was not reserved to the specific parish so some of the coding is beyond our control. In light of this a decision was made to keep communication in house. Deacon

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Michael will make personal invitations to the 20 families on our list. This task item is now completed for DMC.

- b. 5a Support for ODM Staff ideas. Some ideas are to simply ask the Coordinators and Jill will relay any needs in the future. Chantell Durkes is hired as a temporary Administrative Assistant for 20 hours until May when Jodie Wolla is expected to return to her position.
- c. 4b other ideas for groups to connect at hospitality generated discussion that reached into other areas of people being put on mission to engage anyone new who comes to hospitality. Decision to not continue to generate ideas of events to draw in people to hospitality and encouragement to personal apostolate to engage new people at hospitality.
- VI. New Business
  - a. 3b Synod Year 2 Eucharist and Mass in conjunction with National Eucharist Revival. Jill gave a brief overview of the four invitations the national committee launched:
    - 1. Attentiveness to the Ars Celebrandi
    - 2. Monthly "Encounter Nights"
    - 3. Robust Faith Formation preaching series: Jesus in the Eucharist
    - 4. Missionary Sending: "Invite One Back"; Accompany ministry. The Archdiocese will communicate a plan for parishes in conjunction with Synod Year 2 priority on April 26.
  - b. Discipleship Maker Index (DMI) possibility in May. Fr. Paul is in conversation with a company who may be assisting us to launch this out to our parishioners this year. DMC would take the lead if this comes to fruition. It would involve advertising and assisting parishioners to fill out the survey. An analysis of the results would follow which spans all areas of parish life.
  - c. Totus Tuus price increase for day program was introduced due to rising costs. Committee agreed that raising it from\$10/day/child to \$15/day/child was reasonable for families. Suggestion to coordinate JCare rate with the remaining time for families instead of entire day cost. Jill will converse with Jen Livermont.
  - d. Christendom Study Chapter 2 was tabled for next month due to time constraints.
  - e. Prayer for March Meeting. No snacks due to Lent
  - f. Staff Member to invite for March Meeting Chantell Durkes, Temporary ODM Administrative Assistant. Jill will invite.

#### VII. Long Term Planning

- a. OCIA Lent to Easter Celebration.
- b. Summer Programming: EFC, Totus Tuus and VBS
- VIII. PLC Recommendation Form no recommendations.
- IX.
- X. PLC Report 3-5 items. Melanie will report.
- XI. Closing Prayer

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- XII. Adjournment
- XIII. Next Month: Tuesday, March 19, 2024.