

MINUTES

Family Life Committee Meeting

Thursday, February 21, 2013

Present: Verna Panka, Mary Prindle, Ann Meyer, Maury & Lettie Oehler, Mary Novey,
Kristine Henna, Doris Krogman, Jeri Kluesner

Absent: Nancy Becker, Mark & Ann Grunwald, Shirley Cipra

Meeting opened with prayer and called to order at 6:05 in Verna's home. Minutes accepted as read. Account balance is \$663.76 + \$27.26 commission check from Mission sale of Shrine items minus \$90 to D. Day and \$11.46 to M. Prindle for a total of \$589.56.

Ann Meyer gave an update on ways to implement the enthronement process to bring the Sacred Heart of Jesus into our homes. She has contacted a group online (Enthronement.org) that provides a packet for each family participating (cost is \$1/packet). She passed around a copy of the packet. She has presented this packet and the idea to Fr. W. Decision was made by the committee to let Fr. W think about it before pursuing this further.

There are six more angels ready to be delivered for the **Angel Project**. Members selected names and took angels to deliver.

Jeri Kluesner completed an update of the **Welcome** booklet for new parishioners, but a couple groups left out (youth group and men's Thursday morning group). Mary N. will mention to Fr. W at Parish Council meeting so the next batch of booklets will include these groups.

The **Welcome Breakfast** to be held at St. John's will be on April 14th from 8-10 AM. V. Panka will find correct contact people to solicit sweet breads. Greg Quick has been contacted and is willing to make pancakes and sausages.

There will be no **Confirmation prayer partners** this year because the Bishop has changed the age in our diocese from 8th grade to 10th grade. Should we do another prayer partner project? Perhaps linked to the Youth Group or through the school (follow student from K-8).

Teaching the Way of Love is required by the Diocese to be presented to the parents and students in all parishes. V. Panka talked with Fr. W and the principal about helping them set a date with Alice Heinzen to get scheduled for presenting the series to parents. Fr. W will discuss further with the principal and call Alice to get a time set up. He understands that the diocese strongly encourages the implementation of this program. V. Panka will keep in touch with Fr. W and told him that the FLC will assist however we can. Members should keep encouraging them to move forward with this program.

Faith Alive study group started a new series on Monday mornings studying women saints. The Sunday night session is meeting during Lent to discuss a book on prayer.

A. Grunwald was absent so could not follow up on forum idea for educating parishioners about why the church takes the stand that they do on **Plan B and birth control**. A. Meyer mentioned that the Lighthouse series in the back of church has a wonderful CD on contraception. It's about an hour and would be very good for pre-marriage programs. She doesn't believe it's currently back there; Mary Rupp is in charge of that kiosk.

M. Oehler informed us that seven people who prepaid have not received the rosary CDs from the Mission. He has already told Fr. W about this. Fr. W would like to take care of it.

Our next meeting will be held on **Thursday, March 21** at Verna's house at 6:30 p.m. Meeting closed with a prayer at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristine Henna