

Wisdom of Our Faith Commission Agenda

November 13, 2014 Loughry Room

The mission of the Wisdom of our Faith Commission: *In Jesus Christ we will grow and flourish through wisdom of our Catholic faith. We will provide opportunities for faith development to inspire everyone to participate and share a lifelong commitment to learning and spiritual growth*

Opening Prayer --this prayer was written for the 1st year of our parish-wide formation plan and incorporates teaching of Lumen Gentium and Sacrosanctum Concilium.

Meeting Opening Prayer (for liturgical ministries)

Almighty Father,

we gather in Your Name with profound gratitude for allowing us to minister in your most Sacred Mysteries.

Help us to deepen our understanding and appreciation of the sacraments that you have given your Church.

As we grow in holiness, may we help others to experience the richness and treasures that you have given to the Church, your Mystical Body.

Through your grace,

restore us in your love,

strengthen us in our faith,

and give us the courage and wisdom to boldly proclaim the Good News to all people.

Through Christ our Lord.

–Amen.

Announcements:

- WOOF Ministry List –Representative and Contact Information has been updated.
- Christmas Liturgy Distribution: Mystical Union of Christ and the Church DVD from Fr. Barron's Catholicism Series. WOOF Ministry leads will be asked to volunteer to distribute them, one per family at the Christmas liturgies.
- Update on after-Mass announcements: Announcements are due Monday at Noon and only 3-4 announcements will be included. They will refer to events that weekend and one sentence referrals to complete articles in the Carpenter.
- Catholicism Series meeting on 10 select Thursdays, average 25 people per session. We are blessed with Parishioners who have agreed to co-facilitate each session.
- Sacred Liturgy Program 6 sessions underway. 80+ people attended the 1st session led by Fr. Matt. Next is November 24th.

New Initiative Proposal: Responding to the Call to the New Evangelization –Scott Guziec

Scott presented the new initiative proposal detailing a 2 part plan. First, he is assembling a team to investigate best practices for evangelization and develop an initial evangelization plan for the parish. Scott proposes that he would bring the proposed plan to WOOF for approval before part 2, the implementation of the approved plan. He provided background on evangelization. After discussion on the parallels to the Formation Plan and the need for the two groups to work collaboratively, WOOF approved this new ministry. Scott will begin to form his team and was invited to attend our January 8th meeting.

Annulment Ministry- Informational Session Planned-Kevin Sullivan

Kevin Sullivan would like to host an informational meeting in the first quarter of 2015 for all of Vicariate 1. There are many myths of annulment (such as cost, a long process, etc.) that are commonly perceived as true but are actually false. Kevin is working with another parishioner who has received training from the Arch Tribunal. WOOF agrees this is much needed.

I-Volunteer sign up as part of Stewardship Campaign- Eileen Glynn-Tucker is setting up opportunities for parishioners to volunteer in specific ministries within WOOF. Other PPC members are doing the same for their commissions. If your ministry needs volunteers, please notify Eileen so you can be included in our WOOF ministry area in i-Volunteer. Fr. Trout will unveil this process in a Homily at all masses on an upcoming weekend..

Update Parish Wide 3 Year Faith Formation Plan

Year 1 The Church and Sacraments

Ministries are using the prayers and have included some documents on the role of laity and participation in the liturgy in newsletters. The Catholicism series, Scared Liturgy sessions are underway with plans for a Parish Mission on Sacramental Theology, Constitution on the Church and a Lenten Series a Biblical Walk through the Mass.

Ministry Reports: Ministries provided a quick update.

Closing Prayer: Fr. Matt Bozovsky led our closing prayer.

Next Meetings:

January 8th, 2015 Formation Center Room D 7PM

March 12th, 2015 Loughry Room 7PM

OUR PLAN - Vital Few Priorities: Formation, Evangelization, Integration

Formation: Implement a Parish Formation Plan whereby all parish ministries utilize a common theme consistent with the major Vatican II Council documents as they form parishioners in our faith.

Evangelization: Engaged members of our faith community look upon life activities as faith experiences to help celebrate how being Catholic influences our perception of and approach to our daily lives. Intentional evangelization ensues as parishioners live in our community as Catholics.

Integration: Intentional integration of St. Joseph Catholic School and Religious Education Program into the larger St. Joseph Parish Community.