

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes May 11, 2017

Welcome to new members

Catherine Fratter
Jim Dill

Visitors

Steve Applegate
Mary Lou Applegate

2017-18 Officers

Jenna Nguyen - Pastoral Council Chair
Rebecca Richards - Secretary

Stewardship

How do we get and keep parishioners?

- Monsignor - more new member welcoming receptions
- Updating App - more videos and interactive elements
- Continuing with flocknotes
- Can we operate as ambassadors?
- Collaborate with a Richmond welcome wagon program?
- Devote a whole portion of the website to prospective parishioners
 - Listing of ways to connect
- Does the diocese 'advertise' us?
- Pairing new parishioners with a buddy/family of existent parishioner
 - Time and talent - invite families to be 'mentor families'?
 - Registration and welcome packets - include question of whether you want a mentor family
 - Create a roles and responsibility sheet
- Discounted ticket for any event?
- RCIA testimonies are powerful
- Advertise community Sunday in Catholic Virginian
 - Shorttakes?

- Welcome committee - help oversee Mentor program
- Gift bags/welcome bags
 - Special, but costly? Written material ends up in recycling bin...
- Wear our name tags
- Offer tours (and digital (360 virtual tour/ or hard copy maps!)
- Musical survey - songs you want to hear
- Coloring packets in the back of the church for kids?

Registration Weekend

- May 20 and 21 -provide self-evaluation for stewardship
 - Chris Ferrara make packets

- Move registration to parish picnic; make registration available after mass and at picnic **(June 10, 11, 2017)**
 - Helpers:
 - Vicki Conley
 - Tommy Joe

Updates on Goals

- Improve communication
 - Google Doc Registration rolling out in test form NOW!
 - <https://goo.gl/forms/0YViVlgTwojq6OJJ3>
 - Put test as your name
 - Time and talent sheet also being digitized!

- Increased Participation
 - Exam Survival Kits distributed at end of April
 - Overwhelming response to Vicki's request for supplies

Goals hopefully to be reported in bulletin soon

- Jim Dill will assist with wording and choosing a weekend to share.

Cathedral of the Sacred Heart Foundation

Memorandum of Understanding Highlights:

Foundation operates as independent secular organization to maintain building
 Bell tower work courtesy of foundation
 Review capital projects/work with staff

Budget Adopted