

MATN Cluster #52 Meeting Minutes – November 7, 2016

Attendees: Jack Reilly, Robert Conway, Fr. Paul Obi, Mike Ricciardi, Tamara Hervey, Fr. Edward Byrne, Fr. John McLoughlin, Maryanne Dowd

We discussed the cluster-wide lists that were created, from information from each parish, pertaining to our action plans for 3Q 2016 in each of our three directives: Mass Schedules, Social Outreach Programs and Youth/Young Adult Programs.

- **Mass Schedules:** It was agreed that we would add Confession schedules for each parish. This information should be forwarded to Nancy at nancystriker@optonline.net. It was noted that St. Ann's has a new Mass schedule starting 1/1/17 and Our Lady of the Wayside Chapel (St. Theresa's) Mass schedule should be added. Nancy will update this list and send to all cluster members for distribution in our parish bulletins the 1st weekend of December.
- **Social Outreach:** Some parishes have to provide additional information to complete this list. Send any changes or additions to Maryanne at mtd513@aol.com. The final draft will be reviewed at our January meeting. Our plan is to provide this information to our parishes in mid-January. Fr. John (St. Theresa) was concerned with giving out all the social outreach activities to the parishioners. He was concerned about scam artists out there who might take advantage of some of the activities. We agreed that the pastors would decide which social outreach activities would be referred to the parish office instead of a committee chairperson.
- **Youth/Young Adult:** Mike will email the info he has gathered. We felt that the Youth Ministers have been talking which is good. It was suggested that maybe they could plan a cluster wide activity but the Youth Ministers should decide whether to do this. There is no Young Adult activities in any of the parishes. We thought that we could provide information about some of the Young Adult activities that go on in NYC.

Fr. McSweeney had e-mailed some future suggestions: we thought that having a cluster wide web site was a good idea. We put off discussing how and whether or not to have a paid position for all parish web sites until our January meeting. We had some discussion about his suggestion of a shared list of Catholic Counselors. There was some concern about qualifications of individuals and the cluster making referrals. We will continue discussion at a later meeting.

A flyer was handed about a speaker at Holy Innocents on Nov 17th at 7:30 in their social hall.
Topic: Finance & Economics in the Service of Human Flourishing -
Why My Moral Choices in the Marketplace Matter by Father Albino Berrera, OP, Professor of Economics & Theology at Providence College.

Next meeting: Monday, January 9, 2017 a 7:30 - Holy Innocents