

## Sacred Heart Faith Formation Board (FFB) Notes Tuesday, October 3, 2017

**Present:** Angela Anderson, Kent Bachir, Tammy Barry, Lara Cummings, Fr. Steve Dublinski, Dan Jinguji, Theresa Paul, Gladys Rice (Notes). **Lara** led us in the opening prayer, **Dan** led the closing prayer.

**Youth Group: Kent-** increase in students attending (ten 7 & 8<sup>th</sup> graders and eight high schoolers)

**Lock-In:** Oct. 13-14 at Church. There will be lots of food, TV, & sugar & they will stay up all night. Doors locked at 10-11 pm.

**Hosting Donuts:** Oct. 22

**Children's Masses:** Youth group will be the liturgical ministers for Oct. 29 Mass. High School Eucharistic Ministers will need to be trained at YG on Oct. 25 for Oct. 29 Mass.

**A parent and board member shared:** her son loves YG! He is full of happiness and joy, Godsend for them, get a lot out of it, infuses positivity for them. **Fr. Steve** shared – good testament as well that so many have signed up. Encourage boy scouts to come to non-Wed. activities. **Kent** – Discussed at picnic/bbq and there is no possibility of scouts moving off of Wed. nights, but adult helpers can only come on Wednesdays. **Kent:** good to have extra adults. Recruiting/asking of parish before Christmas, 20-40 age range. Need to continually recruit; even youth leaders only last a short time.

**FF Report: Theresa** – Handed out Bible Study Materials for all to look over.

**Bible Study:** Fr. Steve: Over last decade, he had been looking for model that works. Adults get very little out of straight lectures; a couple years ago, a group said let's try this adult formation video, workbook, homework, discussion questions, if absent, there is an online component. First one 8 weeks, that group wanted more. Then can repeat 8 week with new group. Now in its 3<sup>rd</sup> year, they have 5 groups, 80 people, almost no staff time. Group leaders needed, but only for minimal facilitation.

**Faith Formation** is in full swing and going well.

**Safe Environment:** late October-early November for younger grades and Kent needs to choose when he will do it for YG. Topics are Internet Safety and Family Rules, and are adjusted for grade levels. This will be done before Advent.

**1<sup>st</sup> Parent Sacrament-Led Meeting:** Went well!

**1<sup>st</sup> Session of RCIA:** – There are 4 enrolled. Fr. Steve – not all will be baptized.

**Media Library:** **Lara** decided to start with the children's selection & update the VHS tapes to DVD's. We've done an initial inventory and suggest posting the wish list on the website but don't want everyone to buy the same ones. Amazon parish wish list (as one is purchased, it is taken off the list) Also, donation can, wish list, donate gently used. Buy new stands/displays (see sheet with pictures and prices) Discussion about styles and types. Started inventory of children's selection and categorized age range appropriateness, charts of movies, series, topics, ...nonfiction for teens.

**Fr. Steve:** Would updated adult DVD set be used? Or should we just focus on kids? **Angela:** small group study may use DVDs, Bible groups, she has a list from Sue/Theresa of titles would be helpful. Also used: Archdiocese of Seattle which has a monthly newsletter with the latest DVDs and a theme for the month. **Angela:** Amazon has a Smile account where charities benefit. **Dan--** demographics, any Spanish? **Lara--** a lot out there. **Dan--** is there a parishioner who can make the DVD shelf?

**Women's Retreat:** Theresa facilitates at St. Gertrude's (Farmhouse). Join the sisters and others for morning & evening prayers, Mass. 15 beds, or can have private room at Spirit Center. By using the Farmhouse, we keep costs affordable. Limit: 15 for house. Theme: Seasons of Life (Gardening)

**Bookmarks for Hymns:** Theresa reported for Linhda, that she & others are working on the bookmarks.

**St. Thomas More:** Linhda was also part of the St. Thomas More event this past Saturday. **Dan--** it was well attended/60 RSVP's, with 75 there. Linhda & Meg Gollnick helped with the free dinner. **Theresa:** builds community.

**Mass Bags:** Theresa reported that Fr. had to put up hooks (4 in family room, 4 in Sanctuary)

**Altar Servers:** Theresa & Fr. Steve talked with parents about training for altar servers. Fr. Steve prefers 3-6 kids at a time, kids learn by doing. Will have altar server pizza party in future. When asked if there was a certain age for altar servers, Fr. Steve replied 4<sup>th</sup> grade is general age (can you carry cross?, book?) We need more kids to be servers; Fr. Steve: like adult servers as well, would like some women, help kids stay focused if adult is with them.

Recorded by Gladys, typed by Sue, edited by Theresa.