

## Faith Formation Commission (FFC) Meeting

May 4, 2021, 7:00-8:30pm

**Present:** Katie Craft, Terri Kerley, Laura Stiles, Betty Marshall, Scott Mussari, Katie Warnecke

**Absent:** Joseph Klein, John McCahan (Pastoral Council liaison), Grace Pizzimenti, Paul Pizzimenti, Scott Stanley

**Guests:** none

| AGENDA ITEM   | DISCUSSION   | RECOMMENDATION ACTION |
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| <b>Opening Prayer</b>                               | Scott Mussari led the group in opening prayer.   | none                  |
| <b>Pandemic Reflection</b>                          | The group discussed the many ways life has changed and is still changing. Topics discussed included home projects, masks, vaccines, change in prayer lives, job changes, self/family experience with having COVID-19, Mass attendance, creativity with adapting (eg: sand bucket to extinguish Mass candles to avoid blowing them out), impact on our college and new grad children, and impact on our St. Columban school children. The overall theme was that the group is growing tiresome of the limitations caused by the pandemic. However, we recognize the ways we have become more creative and resilient. We pray for continued patience for ourselves and recovery for our world. |                       |
| <b>Faith Sharing: “Living the Mass” (chapter 4)</b> | Scott Mussari led the group in faith sharing for Chapter 4: “The Scripture Readings.” The group discussed the Scriptures and Church seasons.   | none                  |
| <b>Vision Team Update</b>                           | Journeys to Deeper Faith group update was provided by Scott Mussari. The pilot project for a small group program during Lent x6 weeks was successful. Some were in person and others were virtual. In the Fall, it is hoped to roll this out to a larger audience. Group size around 8-10 people will meet weekly x6 weeks. Groups could grow from there until they may split off into two groups.   | none                  |

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| <b>Returning Back To Mass</b> | Archdiocese is encouraging preparation for reasons why to come back to Mass. There is a small note now in bulletin each week to provide perspective. Some focuses discussed were receiving Eucharist; at some point, the obligation will return; a focus on the Community. | none  |
| <b>New Business</b>           | None   |   |
| <b>Next Meeting</b>           | Tuesday, June 1, 7:00 pm.  | Please begin reading "Living The Mass" book (chapter 5 "Making Sense Out Of Life"). Laura Stiles will lead us in chapter 5. |

Minutes respectfully submitted by Katie Warnecke.