PARISH MINISTRY PETALS MEETING
MARCH 6, 2014

Donna welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Fr. Brandon started the meeting with a prayer, and then we all prayed the St. Anne's Ministry Petals Prayer together.

Affirmations:
Bonnie Petzold affirmed Fr. Xavier. She said a woman told her that she had called about having her husband anointed. She spoke with Fr. Xavier who responded right away. Bonnie said that the woman had so many kind things to say about Fr. Xavier!

Judith Crary affirmed the addition of the Oboist at the 5:30pm Saturday Mass. "I like the music!" Cheri Evans said, "I second that!"

Fr. Bill McDonald affirmed the people in the Parish Office for their kindness and patience with the Priests - especially Linda Bosche, the Parish Secretary. He said that he is grateful for all that she does! Fr. Xavier said that he also affirms all those who work in the Parish!

Jose Ordaz affirmed Fr. Bill McDonald for the "extra" confessions on Wednesdays! He said he appreciates Father giving the extra time and lots of people appreciate it too!

Teaching/Reflection Video:
We watched the video titled "What are the Practices of Lent?" by Fr. Robert Barron.

Pastor's Report: Fr. Brandon Ware
Regarding the Diocesan Bankruptcy, there is a meeting on April 24 at the Courthouse in Sacramento.

Fr. Brandon stated that Glenn Lewis did a great job speaking about the Bishop's Ministry Appeal. He also thanked Elvira Ramirez from Catholic Charities for coming to speak about St. Anne's Place.

Fr. Brandon reported that the Plaza is coming along - the plans are currently with the City of Lodi. He said that he will meet with Bishop Blaire on March 18 for the final approval. Fr. Brandon said that there have been some generous donations from several of the parish organizations. He reminded everyone of the Plaza Fundraiser Dinner on March 15th at Casa Mexicana.
Fr. Brandon reported that St. Anne's Place is now open 5 days a week and that Victoria Salgado is the person who is working there. Mr. Mark Martin asked if the Center has had any "clients"? Fr. Brandon said yes, there has been some women who have come in, but, so far, no children. Barbara Brovelli said that she thinks with the upcoming spring break for the public school children, we may get some Moms with children come to the Center at that time.

Jose Ordaz ask if when we break ground, will there be an opportunity for people to "help''? Fr. Brandon said "with all the heavy equipment, probably not, but thank you!"

Fr. Brandon mentioned that he had had a meeting with the bankruptcy person and mentioned our Petal process. Fr. Brandon reported that the gentleman was quite impressed! Fr. Brandon then thanked everyone for their help with the Petal.

**Issues & Actions Report: Donna Dominguez**

Donna discussed the issues and actions that were brought to the Ministry Team at last month's meeting. Donna advised everyone that if your ministry has a budget, please fill out the budget form and return it at next month's meeting. Donna reported that the next Petal Presentations will be the weekend of March 15 & 16 and that the Catholic Fellowship Petal will be featured.

**Announcements/Approved Handouts:**

Donna went over the announcements and approved handouts for this month's meeting:

1. St. Anne's School's Annual Spaghetti Dinner on March 11 in St. Anne's Hall
2. Lenten Revival led by Fr. Bill McDonald Wednesday, March 19 to Friday, March 21 in St. Anne's Church
3. St. Patrick's Mexican Dinner at Casa Mexicana Restaurant on March 15
4. Easter Lily Sales - purchase Easter Lilies in Honor of, or in Memory of, a loved one
5. Lenten Opportunities: Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent in the Church - at 2:15pm with the St. Anne's School children and bilingual at 6:30pm, Canned Food Drive - all items collected will be donated to a local food bank
6. the Daughters of Isabella will have a Marian Day Celebration on May 18 at 3:00pm in the Church.

It was also mentioned that the item collection for the Salvation Army for the month of March is diapers. Also, the Daughters of Isabella will host a Lenten Day of Reflection on Saturday, March 8 in Dominican Hall.

**Petal (small group) Discussion:**

Liturgy Petal Minutes
Carmen spoke with Jim Hickcox (Grand Knight of KofC) regarding the English Usher ministry. At this time there really is no one to head this ministry and no English Representative attending the Petal Meetings. Jim is to look into this. Carmen will follow up with Jim.

Deacon Greg:

- Regarding the two Lenten soup dinners to be held March 14, 2014 and April 11, 2014 after the 6:30pm Stations of the Cross. Helpers are needed – contact Deacon Greg at the parish office to volunteer your help. 369-1907
- The group was presented with the notes compiled by the Subcommittee for bilingual liturgies and was asked to review them. The notes will be discussed at the next Liturgy meeting on March 18th at Carmen’s.

Welcome committee:

- Anita expounded on the New Parishioners Meet & Greet. It will be held in June and will only be about an hour. Be sure to have someone from your ministry present to welcome these new parishioners and talk to them about your ministry.
- Several members of the welcome committee and some from the parish office will be attending a workshop on “how to become a more welcoming parish”.
- There will be a workshop on June 27 & 28 entitled “Called & Gifted”. The workshop will be presented in English and Spanish. A flyer and further information will be out shortly.

A brief discussion was held asking that any time we have a ministry day that all sign-up sheets be distributed to Petal Reps asap so contact can be made to those interested in particular ministries. There have been instances where someone has signed up but no one has contacted them leaving that person with the feeling “I guess they don’t need me” or “maybe they are not interested in my help”. This also applies to inquiries made at the church (if any) should be passed on to the Petal reps immediately.

Be sure to go to the parish website for complete minutes of previous monthly Petal meetings. www.stannes-parish.org

The next Liturgy meeting at Carmen’s will be held March 18, 2014 at 6:30pm.

Issues presented to the Ministry Team:

Please continue to recruit Ministers of Holy Communion.

The Liturgy ministries have not received the sign up sheets from their ministry weekend. The Reps would like to have the sign up sheets distributed to them so that they may be able to make contact.

An issue of notices in the bulletin was brought forth. There have been requests that when ‘advertising’ such as a bible study, that a very brief description of what the study is about be noted so that people can better decide if they would like to attend.
Knights of Columbus

1) 3-23 Pancake breakfast to benefit confirmation retreat
2) 3-29 Corned Beef dinner to benefit Confirmation retreat, Youth programs, and walk for life

MACF

1) 4-12 Taco dinner to benefit confirmation retreat

YLI

1) 3-23 8:30 Mass and breakfast at scooters for members and family

School

1) 4-5 spring dinner and dance to benefit school

Every Friday during Lent at Mater Ecclessia (please correct the spelling) Father Xavier and Deacon Porfi are doing the stations of the cross at 6pm, Confessions at 6:30pm, and celebrating Mass at 7pm.

Youth and Young Adult Petal Meeting Notes

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Present: Ginger Perez (EDGE), David Sandler (Life Teen), Esteban Contreras (YAM), Graciela Huerta (Amigos), Tony Moreno (Ministry Team)

Guests: none

Absent: CYO

Quick Ministry Check-In/Petal Discussion:

- **Amigos de Jesus** - Amigos is getting ready and working with the diocese for the Congreso Juvenil which will take place March 22-23, 2014 in Modesto. In the
group, they will be focusing on the meaning of Lent, challenges in Lent. Graciela and Ben will be attending LA Congress next weekend.

- **CYO - n/a**
- **Edge** - EDGE has been off for 2 weeks due to the high school retreats. Edge will be back this Sunday.
- **Life Teen** - Life Teen has been off for two weeks due to the high school retreats. Life Teen will be back this Sunday. Will be exploring ways to better invite the high school students just coming home from retreat.
- **Young Adults** - Young Adults continue to meet every Monday at 7 PM. The group is getting ready to begin the T3 Bible Study, which is a journey through the story of salvation.
- **General** - Tony Graciela and Ben will be speaking at all Masses this weekend, featuring the activities of Amigos de Jesus and the Congreso. Tony will be attending LA Congress March 13 - March 17 in Anaheim. The group now switches gears to doing retreats at Holy Cross in Linden and St. Michael’s in Stockton. These retreats serve as small fundraisers for the group as well. Tony is also looking into planning a CRS Food Fast here at the parish for our Youth & Young Adult Ministry Program.

- **Upcoming events:**  
  - Congreso Juvenil: March 22nd and 23rd.
  - Retreat @ St. Michael’s: March 29th
  - NET Team visit: April 12, 13, and 14th (Retreat on April 13th)

**Discussion:** n/a

**ISSUES FOR THE MINISTRY TEAM:** n/a
ST VINCENT:

There will be a St Vincent de Paul Society formation meeting on 3-22-14 at Sacred Heart Parish, Patterson. The Bishop has called all parishes to join the society.

The St. Vincent second collection was the largest ever. It is believed that it was because Father Bill explained the collection to the Hispanic masses.
Can there be an announcement from the priests at all masses explaining this collection?

There is as Salvation Army project happening called LOVE LODI on 4-12-14. Volunteers will work in the community doing such things as yard work, house painting, cleaning alley. Contact Salvation Army for further information. Possible the youth groups would be interested.

There was a lengthy discussion concerning St. Anne’s Place.

Catholic Charities is running the center.
The CC employees that have been there thus far have not accomplished much. Catholic Charities employees do not have the forms or information needed for the volunteers from the parish to complete enrollment. There is a growing frustration in the volunteers because they are unable to complete the process and start volunteering. It is a worry that their enthusiasm will wane.

Also, we want to get out the information concerning St Anne’s Place to the shelters and hospitals.

How is the community learning about St Anne’s Place? – Catholic Charities’ procedures are slow and that also is frustrating.

Father Bill suggested that Father Brandon should put pressure on Catholic Charities- to let them know there is a sense of urgency to get volunteers onboard.

ITEM FOR MINSTRY TEAM:

Can Father Brandon strongly urge Catholic Charities to work quicker to help us get St Anne’s Place up and running?
Faith Formation Petal Reports – March 2014

Adult Faith Formation

Upcoming events

❖ Lenten Revival with Fr. Bill McDonald
  March 19, 6:30 p.m. (Spanish)
  March 20, 6:30 p.m. (English)
  March 21, 6:30 p.m., Taize Prayer (Bilingual)
  All sessions will be held in the Church.

❖ Called and Gifted Workshop – June 27-28, 7-9 p.m. (English); June 28, 9-4 p.m. (Spanish). The cost will be $35 for the English workshop and $25 for the Spanish workshop. Online registration will begin in April via the Parish website.

❖ “33 Days to Morning Glory” Retreat will begin Monday, April 28, 9:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. All meetings will be held on Mondays, the location TBA.

❖ Jeff Cavins’ “Bible Timeline” Bible study will begin in September. Dates and times TBA.

Estudios Biblicos

No report this month. (**See issues at the end of this report.)

Estudios Teologia

No report this month.

Grupo de Oracion Carismatico

No report this month.

Baptismal Preparation (English)

No report this month.
St. Anne's School asked if would be possible to include English/Spanish school brochures with the information that is provided by this ministry.

**Marriage Preparation**

No report this month.

**Religious Education**

- March 9 – Rite of Election, Cathedral of Annunciation. We have about 23 children who will be initiated into the Catholic Church this coming Easter Vigil. One student will make his profession of Faith this coming Tuesday, March 11.

- March 18 – Confirmation II meeting with parents and sponsors.

- L.A. Congress is coming!!! Great conferences for ministry leaders, March 13-15.

- We are getting ready for the upcoming Confirmation and Holy Communion Ceremonies in May! Checking requirements and getting ready for the Test. Pray for each student as they are preparing for their sacraments!

- April 1 – Holy Communion Retreat.

**R.C.I.A.**

On Saturday, over a dozen persons will participate in the Rite of Continuing Conversion with the Bishop in Modesto and will joined together with the RCIA groups from our dioceses for a day of reflection.

We have 3 unbaptized persons who will be signing the Book of Life at the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday morning at the Rite of Sending. They will present their signatures to the Bishop on Sunday night at the Cathedral to complete their Rite of Election.

Please continue to pray for the candidates/catechumens as they journey toward Easter. Thank you.
Rosary Makers

Completed Projects (271 total):

❖ 150 cord rosaries for the funeral of Yolanda Gaitan, La Palma, Michoacán, Mexico
❖ 46 single-decade wire rosaries for the funeral of Andrea Jaime, St. Anne’s Church
❖ 6 wire rosaries for Priests
❖ 11 single-decade wire rosaries for Hospital Visits Ministry (M. Heli)
❖ 52 cord rosaries distributed within the local Mexican community
❖ 5 cord rosaries for the Adoration Chapel
❖ 1 wire wedding rosary, St. Anne’s Church
❖ Repaired 2 wire rosaries

Current Projects (350 total):

❖ 200 cord rosaries for Y.L.I.
❖ 125 single-decade wire rosaries for Daughters of Isabella
❖ 25 First Holy Communion wire rosaries
❖ Rosary wire making workshops for St. Anne’s School 8th grade class
❖ Mission Box of 200 cord rosaries ready for mailing
(Mission to be selected.)

Rosary-making workshops are scheduled the first Friday of the month following morning Mass.

Seeds of Faith

Seeds of Faith has four new members and we are looking forward to our Morning of Reflection on March 23. We will be celebrating our 14th year.

Visitation and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

We have adorers scheduled Monday through Friday until 5:00 p.m. in the Chapel. There is a concern from some of our adorers, that when adorers choose to leave at the end of their scheduled time, no one is present from 5:00 p.m. until the Priest or Deacon comes to put Jesus away.

There is still a need for more adorers.
Four more adorers have joined the Adoration Team Ministry. The team makes sure the chapel is a sacred space for all to adore Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

** Issues from the Faith Formation Ministry **

Estudios Biblicos is wondering if St. Anne's is going to have the Seven Visits of the Blessed Sacraments again this year.

Adoration/Visitation: The adorers from 4-5 pm were concerned that sometimes they are not able to stay until Benediction and were wondering if there was no one else present in the chapel if they would be able to call the Church Office to see if someone would be able to come visit until Benediction.

St. Anne School was wondering if more copies of the Missal or copies of the entrance antiphon/communion antiphon could be placed in the pews. There is a shortage.

St. Anne School asked if would be possible to include English/Spanish school brochures with the packet of information that is provided by the Baptismal Preparation Ministry.
Flower (large group) Discussion:

**Final Announcements: Donna Domínguez**
Donna reminded everyone to please turn in your minutes by Monday, March 10. She asked that everyone be sure to communicate with your alternate and keep them "in the loop"! Donna thanked the Liturgy Petal members for providing the refreshments for tonight's meeting. She announced that the next meeting will be held on Thursday, April 3 and the Social Justice Petal members are asked to provide the refreshments for that meeting.

Fr. Brandon thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. Fr. Brandon then closed the meeting with a prayer.