

Parish Ministry Petals

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Social: Youth & Young Adult, Catholic Fellowship provided us with refreshments for our social time prior to the meeting beginning at 7:00 pm.

Spiritual Enrichment: A video was presented by Father Barron on the Queenship of Mary. His reference for our reflection was from Revelation Chapter 12, where a woman clothed with the sun and a crown of 12 stars on her head is depicted. It is a story about God vs. Satan and Mary is the new Ark of the Covenant. In the Old Testament the Ark of the Covenant is in the lead as the army follows in its attack of the enemy of the Israelites. If we allow that imagery to lead us to Mary being the new Ark of the Covenant we can then see how important it is for us to let her lead us in the battle against evil. So also was it that the Kings of Israel did not have their wives as their queens but their mothers were their queens. Thus follows the Queenship of Mary, the new Ark of the Covenant. Father Barron asked us to think about which army do we want to belong to Satan's or God's.

Opening Prayer: Father Brandon Ware

Affirmations:

- Joy Hickcox – the new stained glass to in the office vestibule recycled by Deacon Yeager from the Chapel renovation.
- Lydia Van Steyn- Sr. Isabel's 25th anniversary liturgy and reception.
- Sr. Isabel – thank you to the Ministry Team for preparing her wonderful celebration and thank you to all who were able to attend.
- Cheri Evans – Daughters of Isabel Tea
- Marie Grady to –Life Teen who served the Daughters of Isabel Tea.
- Dennis Taricco - Parents Club dinner raised \$16,000 for the Community Plaza Project.
- Donna Dominguez – Life Teen stayed after Daughters Tea to help decorate for Sister Isabel's reception.
- Tony Moreno – Daughters of Isabel for encouraging tips for the Life Teen servers at their Teas as they need to raise \$2,400.00 to send 8 teens on various conferences.
- Father Ware – Knights of Columbus and Daughters of Isabel for new benches in the Grotto area.

Pastor's Report:

- **Community Plaza Project Update:** Landscape architect plans continue to be processed and refined in an attempt to meet the needs of Parish community. The goal is to be able to break ground Easter week 2014. A fund raising committee has been formed.

St. Anne's School had a fund raiser in April and contributed \$16,000 of their proceeds to the Community Plaza Project.

- **Homeless Mothers Drop In Center:** This project is currently stalled because the facility is not ADA compliant. Father Ware does not want to let this project go and will be working on trying to see what other options might be available. He asked us all to be in prayer for a solution.
- **Personnel Updates:**
 - Music Director will be introduced to the Music Ministers on Saturday and will be announced to us at the June Petals Meeting.
 - Communications Assistant has been hired.
- **Tom Driscoll** will be presenting to the Faith Formation and Social Justice Petals this evening his desire to present an end of life conference to our Parish. He will be assessing if there is interest within of these Petals to support such a conference.
- **Clint Waring of Catholic Charities** will be presenting options for projects for Social Justice to support.

Issues and Actions Report:

- The Knights of Columbus volunteered to monitor the school playground parking for whenever necessary. Tony Moreno has a parking map that he will provide them with.
- The front rows in the Church will be reserved for the handicapped during large celebrations.
- There will be no additional week days for confession during the week as requested and instead dates and times for confession at other parishes will be posted in the bulletin. In addition there will be no additional times for confession during Lent so as to encourage parishioners to participate in the communal penance service. The purpose is to encourage us to see ourselves as part of a body and the communal dimension of our brokenness. Our sin does not only infect us but it also infects the entire body. Just as our personal sin infects the whole body, so does our reconciliation heal the whole body.

Ministry Budget 2013-2014: Need to be turned into Deacon Yeager in May.

Petal Business:

- **Transition of Petal Representatives and Alternates** – need to be submitted by the June Petals Meeting.
- **Current Ministry Rosters** will be e-mailed to each Ministry Petal Representative and Alternate by the Petals Core Team in the next weeks. Please review them and make any changes necessary to bring them up to date.
- **Revised Ministry Rosters** can be returned by e-mail or turned in by the June Petals Meeting.
- **Ministry Presentations** Social Justice, Sunday May 19, 2013

- **Announcements:**

- Pancake Breakfast – Sunday, May 5th
- Benediction & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Thursday, May 9, 2013, 7 – 8pm with Deacon Yeager
- Marian Day Celebration - Sunday, May 19th
- Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) Benediction & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Sunday, June 2, 3 – 4:30 pm with Father Nguyen

Petal (Small Group) Discussion: see Petal minutes

Flower (Large Group) Discussion: see Petal minutes

Liturgy Petal

During the general meeting, the issue of opening the school yard for overflow parking on days of the big celebrations (Easter, Christmas, and when the street faire is going on) was brought up as approved by the Ministry team. It was indicated that there would need to be someone to organize this. The Knights of Columbus volunteered. Thank you KofC. However, due to the wear and tear on the asphalt, the playground could not be used on a regular basis.

A question was asked about name tag Sunday and why at some masses the name tags are exchanged right after the homily instead toward the end of Mass. It was felt that the name tags should not be exchanged too early otherwise when people do the sign of peace or go up for communion, you cannot tell if the name tag they wear is their name or that of someone else.

Fr. Bill said he would check on this.

The 'Welcoming Committee' indicated that they now have 'welcome packets' to hand out to the new parishioners. Since most people do not want home visits, the committee would like to have a get-together later in the year to welcome the new comers. It was suggested that the get-together be after the masses so that members of the parish could attend to welcome them into the parish.

There is a great need for more Ministers of Holy Communion. It was asked if we could place an announcement in the bulletin. It was suggested that maybe we could reach out to parents of the school children to become involved in the ministry.

Dust Angels indicated that they announced in the bulletin and received a few responses to the request. They indicated they would like to ask parents of school children to stay after Mass on Friday to help.

There needs to be Commissioning of the Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors and Music ministers.

Fr Bill will check on this.

Music ministry indicated that the music closet is in need of remodel/cleaning/organizing. There are many microphones and stands that are broken.

Megan Holguin was introduced as the MofHC alternate for the coming year.

Remember to access the parish website for the 'actions and issues' of previous Petal Meetings.

Catholic Fellowship Petal

Knights of Columbus - Priest Appreciation Dinner Aug. 24, 2013

Pancake Breakfast Aug. 18, 2013 for Youth Charities

July 23-24-25, 2013 Basketball Clinic for 60 students (ages 7-14) cost- \$20 perday

Mexican-Am Cath Fed - taking applications for graduating students in Lodi School Dist. now have 6 applicants & hope to give \$300. to \$400. each. They are hoping to have 10 total applicants.

Daughters of Isabella - having a Marion Festival on Sunday, May 19th @ St. Joachims 3 to 6 PM.

Seniors - no report

YLI - no report

TEAMS - no report

CONCERN FOR MINISTRY TEAM - It was noted that the round tables are not being cleaned when put away by different ministries after using the tables.

Youth and Young Adult Petal

"Quick" Ministries check-in:

Lifeteen: Finishing up our St. Michael's confirmation retreats .preparing for VBS .preparing our summer calendar

Young Adult: Continuing with our Bible study and faith sharing

Tony will start working more directly with Thorton's youth group since the calendar has calmed down a bit.

Faith Formation Petal

Completed Projects:

- 30 wire rosaries for 1st Holy Communion, St. Anne's School students
- 5 wire rosaries for Welcome Basket Ministry
- 60 cord pro-life rosaries for Pro Life Ministry
- 30 cord rosaries for Legion of Mary
- 5 gift 1-decade rosaries
- 55 cord rosaries for Lodi convalescent hospitals-In-service project of 8th grade
- graduate and rosary maker
- 10 wire 1-decade rosaries for Melitta Heli, Outreach
- Current Projects:
- 200 Military cord rosaries for Support The Troops, Lodi
- 100 1-decade wire rosaries for DOI's State Circle May celebration
- 100 1-decade right-to-life wire rosaries for Walk For Life in Jan 2014
- 4 wire rosaries for Priests and Deacons for on-call visits.
- 200 cord rosaries for Fr. Seidl of Banning, CA for local community center
- Scheduled Workshop: Saturday, 4th for Confirmation 1 class, 15 students.
- Regular workshops: 1st Fridays, August thru May. Shop closed June and July

On-Going Adult Faith Formation would like to make an adjustment to last months Ministry Team request. Instead of the prayer cards, we would like to have a reflection/teaching on the Faith portion of the website. Tom Driscoll has volunteered to do these for us. We feel it would give a greater clarity and understanding to the Creed since there is so much to it. We could also do a bulletin insert for those who don't have computers. We are also in favor of collaborating with Social Justice Petal to sponsor Tom Driscoll's project for this second year of the ATM-Deacon Aspirant program. It is a program presenting the wholesomeness of Catholic teaching regarding the care of the seriously ill and dying as well as discussing appropriate preparations like Advance Health Care Directives. Included in the presentation will be the concepts of extraordinary/ordinary, double effect and assisted nutrition and hydration in a format based upon hospital/medical experiences and not mere dry teaching. It will be based on his background in obtaining Certification in Catholic Healthcare from the National Catholic Bioethics Center and my

experience with the Lodi Memorial Hospital Bioethics Committee. The idea is to present the program or workshop in St. Anne's Hall in a three hour block on a Saturday morning. We would like to send this to the Ministry Team. We are in contact with Fr. Bill McDonald to do another Evening of Reflection for the Parish when he is here in August. He is very willing to do this. We would like to send this to the Ministry Team for approval.

SEEDS: Seeds had their annual reflection in April to discuss the year going forward. All have agreed to continue exposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on the second Thursday of the month for one hour before each meeting. They have also chosen a new book to read and discuss titled Happy Are You Poor: The Simple Life and Spiritual Freedom by Thomas Dubay.

Carismatic Prayer Group: GRUPO DE ORACION CARISMATICO EL ALFARERO
May 2, 2013; REPORT

- We had our CARISMATIC COUPLES ENCOUNTER at St Stanislaus Community Center in Modesto on April 27 and 28. Our prayer group did not need to help in anything this time but we were all encouraged to go with our spouse.
- We will be having our PENTECOST JOURNEY on the week of May 13-17 at Presentation Church in Stockton. Starting at 6pm with worship songs, prayer, a reflection about Pentecost, Followed with holy Mass. (our prayer group is in charge of organizing everything for Tuesday may 14.)
- On Saturday May 18th we will have our PENTECOST VIGIL STARTING FROM 6:30 PM at St Stanislaus Community Center
- 1416 Maze Blvd., Modesto, CA, 95351 (our Prayer group will be helping people with parking and making sure parking lot is safe for people.)

All our programmed events are in Spanish and are accomplished with The help of all the different charismatic prayer groups in the Dioceses of Stockton.

Religious Education Program: Report

- May 8 & 9 Rehearsal for English Holy Communion
- May 11 Ceremony for English Holy Communion 10:00am
- May 15-18 It is our last day of classes
- May 21 End of the year with Mass at 4:00pm and 5:15pm Carnival for Students at St. Anne's Hall we are going to have Food, a little flea market and Games
- May 22 Rehearsal for Spanish Holy Communion
- May 23 Rehearsal for Spanish Holy Communion

- May 25 Holy Communion Mass in Spanish at 9:30am & 12:30pm
- May 28 Appreciation Dinner for Catechist.
- May29 Graduation for Catholic charities parenting Classes in Spanish
- May31 Mater Ecclesiae Rehearsal Holy Communion at 3:30pm
- June 1 Mater Ecclesia Holy Communion at 10:00 am
- Vacation bible school is coming in June 17-21 at 9:00am -12:00pm

Marriage Prep:

In April we had 2 Weddings in Spanish and 1 in English

In May we have 2 Weddings in Spanish and 2 in English

In June we have 2 Weddings in Spanish and 1 in English

None in July

In August we have 4 Weddings in Spanish and 1 in English

In September we have 3 Weddings in Spanish and 2 in English

In October we have 2 Wedding in English

In November we have 1 Wedding in Spanish and 1 in English

In December we have 1 Wedding in Spanish

Baptism: There is now a waiting list for Baptisms since Pope Francis was inducted.

Visitation & Adoration Report - May 2013

1. Wrap Up - Divine Mercy, April 7, 2013. We give much gratitude to our generous team members whose energy and intentions helped to make Our Divine Mercy Sunday event a huge success.

- We thank Father Nguyen for the Divine Mercy flyer he prepared, for being so available and easy to work with. It was noted that there was an unusually long line for confession on Saturday. Praise God!! It appears the flyer helped many to better understand what Divine Mercy Sunday is about and the graces available to all of us.
- **Due to the long lines for confession on Saturday, not all were able to partake of confession so we suggest that next year we have more priests available and a longer time frame, maybe 3pm-5pm**
- We thank Father Kraft for preparing the flowers and the Image for veneration. It was beautiful.
- We thank Donna for getting Father Nguyen's flyer into the bulletin.
- We thank the Team for telephoning all of the Adorers, many Adorers were present as a result of a personal invitation.
- A special thank you goes out to Anne Van Steyn and Donna Porter for providing the music.

- 50 Programs and Chaplets were handed out and gone very quickly. So we know that there was a considerable amount over 50 in attendance, Praise God!!!

2. Sunday, June 2, 2013 The Feast of Corpus Christi - 3:00 - 4:30pm

The Solemnity of Corpus Christi is in commemoration of the institution of the Holy Eucharist that Jesus shared during the Last Supper, the night before his crucifixion. The body and blood of Christ, his passion, was lovingly endured in forgiveness of our sins.

- **Fr. Nguyen will provide an explanation of Corpus Christi to be included in the bulletin**
- The Team will be contacting Adorers by telephone to remind them of The Feast of Corpus Christi.
- Adoration Hostesses/Greeters will be available to provide worship aids, have a table available for ministry brochures and welcome sign ups for additional adorers.
- You will have time for prayer.
- All materials are in English and Spanish.

3. Proposal for Ministries Prayer Requests this would be a way to promote unity within the Parish to invite all of the ministries to submit their prayer requests for their ministries to our Visitation & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Ministry. These prayer requests would be addressing ministry needs. We think there would be potential for many benefits, individually and for greater Parish unity. It also supports and reminds all of us steadfastly that prayer and faith formation must be the center of every ministry. We request the Ministry team's approval of this proposal that way we can incorporate it as a part of our Petal Process.

4. We are pleased to announce there will be two new flower pots placed at the back entrance of the Chapel.

Next Meeting: 6:45 Thursday, June 6, 2013 – Faith Formation Petal Refreshment

Closing Prayer: Father Brandon Ware