

## **JOINT PARISH Faith Formation Meeting March 4, 2019**

Mary Kral, lead Amy Golden, minutes

**ATTENDEES:** Karen Farrell, Jennifer Geisler, Amy Golden, Mary Kral, Dan Z., Jim Winiecki, Eileen Rudnick, Lori Kaari,

And welcome new member Samantha Davis

**EXCUSED:** Lisa Bixby

Update on membership: Demlings, Michelle Michel, Jan Schienebeck, and Randy Cadott have decided that they are unable to serve on the committee.

**Prayer Intentions:** Connie-cancer, for both parishes to have an increase in commitment to faith and volunteerism, Fr. Dan, for success of the parish mission.

### **Prayer**

[prayer from New Gospel of John study: "Dynamic Catholic"]

**Wins:** Samantha saying "yes" to our committee, Karen has four eighth graders who are interested in "going deeper", one of the high school small groups wants to meet in addition to attending classes, Mary had a nice group show up for the first in the Gospel of John series, and more are interested.

**How am I living out my faith?** Group members shared some of the ways they are growing in their own faith journey.

### **AGENDA**

#### **Review of "Working on"**

#### **St Paul's Common Meeting, March 25**

**Chairperson and additional members needed for this Committee.** The following has been posted in the past. Attached are copies from Archdiocesan guidelines about committees. Please review for discussion at next meeting.

*Help Wanted – SMALL things done with GREAT love change the world*

*The Faith Formation team (supporting children to families to high schoolers and yes, adults, too!) is in the business of changing lives – yours, mine, all of ours! We are all in the business of helping each other grow from sinners to saints. We need people to RISE UP and join the Faith Formation Committee, a collaborative effort between St Bruno and St Paul. We meet once per month on the first Monday of the month from 6:30-8pm. As a committee member, you would be asked to share your opinion of faith formation for all ages of our parish. You'll hear about what's coming soon in the areas of Child and Family Ministry, Youth Ministry, and Adult Ministry. We talk about our hopes and dreams for these areas, some of our struggles, as well as our successes. We also spend a portion of the meeting looking at an article or part of a new book that we want to share to keep us all informed of what is happening in other parishes or best practices. Input from parishioners, whether you have children in the Faith Formation programs or not, is important for all of us since faith formation is LIFELONG.*

*Please contact any one of us on the Faith Formation team to learn more:*

*Amy Golden, Child/Family Ministry, St. Bruno*

*Karen Farrell, Child/Family Ministry, St. Paul*

*Jennifer Geisler, High School Ministry, St. Bruno/St Paul*

*Mary Kral, Adult Ministry, St. Bruno/St. Paul*

### **Pastoral Council updates:**

ST BRUNO: Starting to work on nominations for council, will have council presence at the welcome weekends in March and April. Developing the Stewardship Plan Fr. Dan has laid out.

ST PAUL:

-We will be serving as ushers, cantors and Eucharistic ministers at the 3/10 9am Mass

-A plan was presented for the Common Meeting Night to be called Semi-Annual Ministry Summit. The purpose of this event is to get all ministries "working toward a stewardship lifestyle, this summit will provide direct communication between all ministries, committees, Pastoral Council, Finance Council and the congregation at large; providing 1) education on how ministries goals support the mission statement of the parish, and 2) enthusiasm toward establishing a community of disciples who seek communion in the church and the world". Held February and September each year on the 4th Monday of the month. First meeting will be March 25th starting at 6:30. Trustees to facilitate the first event. Ministry meetings can be held following the general meeting. The Secretary of the Pastoral Council was asked to take the minutes. Each ministry will have 10 minutes to review committee accomplishments, upcoming plans and needs. It was suggested that the leader ask committee members to stand and be recognized. Time allowed for the meeting is 1 hour and 30 minutes and the trustees will be the official timekeepers. A written guideline has been developed for ministries to follow. All committee and Council members are encouraged to attend.

- The nomination process for the new council members will begin the weekend of 3/9-10

**Parish Mission:** Mary Kral reminded us to continue to invite and promote. Lori reminded of the importance of personal invitations to our events!

**New Position cross parish:** Fr. Dan announced a new position called the Direction of Evangelization and Life Long Faith Formation. This person will lead the new Evangelization Commission and will work with the Faith Formation team to help "fill the gaps" between entrance into the church.

- Amy pointed out a few areas that needed to be addressed to increase participation in our programs-we will wait to work with the new staff member to address these concerns:
  - **Marketing our programs**
  - **FF Ministry spotlight weekend**

**PLEASE REMEMBER** to review the norms for committees so we are prepared to discuss at our next meeting. This was distributed at the meeting, but I'm attaching for your convenience.

**FOR CLARIFICATION:**

Minutes from each meeting: *send via email to committee for review/corrections/approval with a deadline, and then forward to Pete Pugal, and for websites: Jan Lamparski, Nancy Bastian.*

Working On items submitted prior to meeting:

**Closing prayer**-Our Father, followed by **Faith sharing exercise** (in pairs)\*

\*We will follow up on our conversation from the last meeting with a discussion along the lines of the Rich Curran talk at St Paul in November (you can listen to the audio of that talk on the parish websites). It will be a faith sharing discussion:

What was your faith life like growing up?

What question or struggles do you have about the Catholic faith?

What is your most profound encounter with the Lord?

**Next meeting: April 1, 6:30pm, St Paul Family Room AMY will set agenda and lead**