

Lifelong Faith Formation Committee minutes October 12, 2020

Present: Amy Golden, Mary Kral, Karen Farrell, Amy LaRoche, Marisa Lengerich

Excused: Jennifer Geisler, Samantha Wyman-Davis

Prayer

Amy Golden/Child & Family Ministry St Bruno

Started in October, balancing time/sanitization due to sharing space with the school. One in person/month, 1 virtual at home. Grades 1, 3 have a video intro from Amy. Grades 4-8 zoom. Family Session is completely at home.

44 registered.

November Reconciliation retreat planned. Assisted with school retreat. Adoration offered to school staff to lessen the feeling of being disjointed from one another.

Karen Farrell/Child & Family Ministry St Paul

In person and at home options, set to go to all virtual if need be.

97 registered, 9 new catechists.

Family program is smaller. Heard from a married couple about creating domestic church at home.

1st-5th grades offered Tuesdays or Wednesdays.

First communion class is small, 10 children

Middle school offered Sundays or Tuesdays. Middle school working toward working with students to find where they are in their faith and adjust accordingly.

Karen creates a video lesson, uses FORMED.org, shares with students and Family Program

Jennifer Geisler/John 10 Youth Ministry for both parishes

In person and at home virtual options.

Options for Sunday morning, Sunday night, Wednesday night. Virtual students can join small groups for discussion via Zoom.

10 catechists, 4 of them are new

78 enrolled including 38 in Confirmation year

9th grade: Alpha course (parents are invited to their own Alpha course). Retreat in January

10th grade: book study "Did Adam and Eve Have Belly Buttons"; addresses range of topics from morality and doctrine to the sacraments. Retreat December 5.

11th grade: His Theology of the Body/Her Theology of the Body. Being read by boys and girls to gain understanding of themselves as well as the other, God's design for them. January confirmation preparation begins. Retreat February 12, 13

Confirmation sponsors and students will view "The Search" on FORMED.org to foster more faith based conversations to pave the way for future conversations after confirmation.

Service hours are not required this year, limited opportunities. Small groups are working on thinking up their own service.

Mary Kral/Adult Formation for both parishes

Baptism preparation virtually, scheduling. Since Covid 12 babies baptized.

RCIA sacraments were held over from Easter Vigil, 7 celebrated in August. Two possible candidates for the next year.

Two small groups continued over the summer outside. One will continue in person, one will zoom.

Alpha begins Thursday, October 15.

Other small group opportunities being encouraged.

I Heard God Laugh, new book from Dynamic Catholic, copies ordered for a Lenten giveaway and parish wide study will be offered.

Family Program portion for adults twice/month.

Women of Christ Morning of Grace was held last week.

Amy LaRoche expressed appreciation for all the resources being made available during this time of some at church/some at home. Said she couldn't imagine how much work it is and thanked for making it as easy as possible with so much provided.