

# Our Lady of the Pines Church, Nevis

## Minutes of the Welcoming Committee Meeting: June 1, 2016

### **Old Business:**

We discussed how to better connect with parishioners who don't attend anymore or others who might like to. Father Tony said to send invitations before Advent. Nancy suggested this summer would be great as we have many events coming up. Being with the larger crowds in the summer would make them feel less isolated. Theora will send a letter explaining activities and events happening in our parish up to Parish Day. After June 11, Theora will be available to meet with Deb to gather information for brochures to be made and handed out to new parishioners.

Committee decided not to send out Get Well cards since the Guild and Haiti Committees are already doing that. We will just take care of 'Welcoming.'

We discussed how ushers and greeters can keep a closer eye on parishioners who might not know where to sit, where the bathrooms and crying room are, etc. We will all try to work together with recognizing new faces, names and introducing newcomers.

### **New Business:**

#### **Welcoming on Parish Day – September 11**

We will keep it the same as last year...acknowledgement of newcomers after Mass by showing their pictures, calling them forward, giving them a rose and visiting during Fellowship.

#### **AED Training**

We discussed an AED Training this summer after Mass; possibly July 10 or 24 or August 7, 14 or 21. A list of medical/emergency personnel will be posted by AED.

#### **Widows / Widowers Luncheon**

Theora suggested having a widows/widowers luncheon but it was decided that the information of others being held in the community could possibly be listed in the bulletin. We also already have a KC Mass for deceased KC members and 2 Anointing of the Sick Masses for all the seniors with a luncheon.

**Next meeting day:** December 7, 2016 at 9:45 AM

Submitted by:

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