

Faith Formation Board Meeting
October 1, 2019

Present: Tammy Barry, Fr. Steve, Jane Hommel, Dan Jinguji, Linea Johnson, Mary Johnson, Wendy McCann, Sue McNamara, Jon Parrish, Theresa Paul. Mary led opening prayer & led meeting.

Youth Report: Linea Coffee & Donuts: Went well & had a good turnout of helpers.

Children's Mass, October 13: Just a few minister spots left to fill.

Middle School Rally: November 2, grades 6, 7, 8, in Lewiston. Middle schoolers bond, have dinner, go to confession, and it's an all-around good experience.

No response from **House of Charity**. Might have to wait until next year, and it's better to go during good weather. Because we don't want to cancel last minute.

This Year: 16-20 kids, 2 new middle schoolers. Some new high schoolers.

Waiting to hear about **Mission Trip** to Oakland, CA. Tentatively registered now for Yakima, in case first choice doesn't work.

Steubenville event is July 26, 2020.

Fundraising Idea: Selling coffee/hot chocolate for football games in parking lot? Will do some research.

Faith Formation Report: Blessing of animals Oct. 6- anybody can attend, 12:30 pm in the gathering area.

Disciples in Dialogue- 6:30 pm. Fr. Steve will talk about Eternal Destiny... conversation on heaven and hell; anointing of the sick, cremation...

No class PS-6th- October 13. Knights of Columbus are hosting a **pancake breakfast** to raise money for Coats for Kids.

Several classes have been focusing on Saints/Mary/Rosary.

All Saints Day on (Friday, Nov. 1). There will be a Children's Mass at 4:30 pm. Theresa said it would be a bonus if they came dressed as a saint.

Tammy: **Pivotal Players** - two meetings so far. Both were the same content with different people. Linked St. Francis of Assisi with Gospel and what they were talking about! Tammy asked that the bulletin say who they will be focusing on this week, and who is the next week.

Started **RCIA**- Small group this year, three so far.

Children preparing for sacraments. Interesting situations with some kids- older sibling baptized and younger not baptized. **Family Sacrament Night**- will work out well & meet for the first time on Sunday,

Catechists- All filled! Enthusiasm is great.

Women's Retreat- November 8-10.

Diocesan Fall Assembly four attending from the parish.

Roger Williams Lecture- November 2-3 see flyer: Monday, a talk at Bryan Hall. All events are free.

Coffee & Donuts for October 27 sign-up was sent around.

Vice President: Traditionally VP is a second year member and then becomes the President the following year. Steps in for President when necessary. **Think about volunteering for this!!** –

Report to Parish Council- Parish groups report each year-. Questions to think about: What are our goals this year? What's different this year? Smaller scale- perfect program what's missing? It has grown a lot! i.e. Theology on Tap. Consistent adult programs. Disciples in Dialogue. Tweaking children's sacrament.

Christmas Program- great changes last year.

Tammy- will read Easter story again.

Theresa- engaging some parents not confident in their faith, so they are better at talking to their children.

Updates- Dave Schneider will work on getting us into Alive (verbally to Sue).

Still need people to sign-up for empty slots for Coffee and Donuts on October 27!

Jane- Closing Prayer. Fortitude.

Next Meeting is November 5 at 7:00 pm in the St. Charles room.

Opening Prayer: Linda Closing Prayer: Tammy Refreshments: Wendy