

HOLY ROSARY STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL AGENDA – February 21, 2018

- 1.0 Call to Order / Agenda / Minutes
 - 1.1 Opening Spiritual Reflection – Fernando
 - 1.2 Attending – Melissa Buenaventura, Rodney Bell, Fernando Subang, Pat McCann, Stephen Wright, Jeff Obema, Kristin McCarthy, Fr Boyd, Catherine Whyte, Rob Lakosljac.
 - 1.3 Regrets – Angie Gazzola
 - 1.4 Approval of Agenda - Additions / Changes / Motion to Accept; moved by Rodney - Pat
 - 1.5 Approval of Minutes - Errors / Omissions / Motion to Accept; moved by Fernando - Catherine

- 2.0 Business Arising – Cluster Leaders
 - 2.1 Cluster / Ministry Updates
 - Melissa reports that 3 of the ministries in the outreach cluster are participating in the stations this Lenten period
 - Kristin – changes to the Good Friday service at noon : for children by children of the parish and this will be a totally new approach not directly involving the schools.
 - 2.2 CWL Report – CWL Representative
 - Ratified by CWL that they will donate \$150 towards emergency taxi.
 - A March 19 retreat for CWL is being led by Yvonne Prouse
 - Mentioned Canadians for Conscience & 40 days for life websites. Encouraging that all visit websites & be acquainted . Followed by some detail on the pending legislation and usefulness of the websites by Fr. Boyd.
 - See the websites: <http://www.40daysforlife.com/> and <http://www.canadiansforconscience.ca/>
 - Seeking donations of wool, worsted yarn, for Tarcia Gerwing knitting pneumonia bibs for children in Africa.

- 3.0 Chair Comments - Jeff
 - 3.1 TBD
 - Open discussion on evangelization, how to get the unchurched coming to Mass.
 - ✓ School students encouraging their parents.
 - ✓ How do we get the message to the parents from the school level.
 - ✓ We won't solve it from this table but a problem solving approach may. Find persons interested and have them prepare a list. Brainstorm. Don't talk about it but get a group (large) and try from their list. Involve the school principals – how do we approach the parents? Should we start involving ourselves in school events?
 - ✓ Get 3 or 4 different people from different areas of their parish activity to create a wide ranging list of all the possible ways to evangelize. There are examples of parishes that have done this successfully. “what more can we be doing for the glory of God?”
 - ✓ The picnic, movie night etc. etc.
 - ✓ Review of examples where we have been successful: sacraments involve parents to participate in the preparation Masses.
 - ✓ Build church into our outreach activities.
 - ✓ Names: Cathy, Fernando, Jeff, Rodney, Rob.

- ✓ Lakeside as an example. What is it that draws people? And is it sustainable?

- Consider the language used in the church that might scare away volunteers eg “desperate for volunteers”, encouraging the “tap on the shoulder” as a softer approach to the “life sentence” recruitment.
- Parish picnic June 24. Date has been chosen, book the hall, speak-out to Stephen Roelofson.
- Cathy & Jeff attended at the retreat for Jesuit apostolates. Many from across the province and country. Shared about the Ignatian responsibilities to their apostolates, and the apostolates to the Jesuits. Partnerships. The need for help with their apostolates was clear and appreciated. Simultaneous translation and participation from NL to mid-west Canada. They are encouraging collaboration to involve youth through the apostolates. Review of main priorities of the Jesuits in Canada. Heroic Leadership by Chris Lowny was cited. Fr Boyd thanked Catherine & Jeff.

4.0 Pastor’s Desk – Fr. Boyd

- 4.1 Acoustics Update – have been measured and to be installed before Easter including the Community Room. The microphones continue to be a challenge. Lector workshops have been held to enhance proclamation of the word.
- 4.2 Construction / Renovation Update – meeting next Wednesday Feb 28.
- 4.3 Jesuit provincial is coming March 7 – 11. Can we work on getting an appointment with him March 10th, Saturday? Will meet with a group of parishioners, followed by a lunch? Could we have him say a Mass? Fr. Peter Bisson & Fr. Erik Oland.
- 4.4 Provincial’s Dinner April 18. Anyone interested please see Fr. Boyd – Could we suggest parishioners? Costs to participants should not be a barrier to participation. Fr needs to hear from you soon for suggestions. Some names have been suggested. Splitting costs 50:50 was discussed.
- 4.5 Lent & Easter are off to a good start.
- 4.6 Rights of Conscience – Fr is encouraging that we be informed and involved. Network for this cause.

5.0 Ad Hoc Committee Reports (Communications, Youth Ministry, Knights of Columbus and Refugee Committee) – invite Youth, Knights of Columbus Round Table representative.

6.0 Finance Report – Steve

- A high level overview of the parish finances was given by Steve. Since the results are preliminary the reports were returned.

7.0 New Business

7.1 Ministry Fair - Feedback

- Feedback: booth traffic was modest as reported by some, expressed that it was a well-designed mural on the wall, the mood was upbeat/uplifting, a sign of life in our parish, 4 people for liturgy, friends of Jesus 1,
- It may be good to piggyback this with another parish event.
- David Daylor was the name and Rodney thought it was going to have the date set at this meeting. Dinner & speaker. September event – can we join with Social Events Committee for a single event? Cathy Whyte will bring this to them in the

form of a request. Rodney will see when David Daylor will be available to speak to new parish members.

- We should ask for help with the Social Event Committee to reduce costs and also, so that not to overlap with similar events such as the 'pasta' dinner for example.

7.2 Parish Plan – deferred to next meeting

7.3 Volunteer Appreciation Event in April 22 – can Social Events help with this? Cathy to bring this to them.

8.0 Adjournment

8.1 Closing Prayer

8.2 Next Meeting – March 21, 2018