

All Saints Evangelization and Formation Commission

Meeting Highlights July 24, 2017

- ➤ Report from the June 27 Pastoral Council meeting with commission chairs and co-chairs.
- Extensive discussion of the commission goals, strategies and role of prioritization of goals with focus on creative spirit ministry goals and strategies for 2017-2018.
- Affirmation of the importance of creativity that allows the expression of one's spirituality through the Holy Spirit at our parish.

The next meeting is Monday, August 28 at 6:00 p.m. - ASCC Rectory Dining Room. Parishioners are welcome.



Meeting Highlights May 22, 2017

- ➤ Discussion of Pastoral Council feedback on 2017-2018 Commission goals which will be resubmitted by June 8th deadline.
- ➤ Review of E & F Commission ministries (Faith Formation, Creative Spirit, Liturgical Dance, Generations of Faith, Jr. Daughters of Peter Claver and Women's Retreat) activities, dates, budgets and identify collaboration as needed with other Commissions.
- Continue promotion to Commission ministries and Sunday Scripture sessions the 1% Challenge to Read Scripture 15 minutes/day.
- > Clarification of Pastoral Council Liaison role.
- Next meeting Monday, June 26, 2017 at 6 p.m. in the All Saints Rectory Dining Room



Meeting Highlights April 24, 2017

We discussed opportunities with CJhaye Jackson about the **Women's Retreat Ministry** and the upcoming Women's Retreat December 1-3, 2017 and explored possibilities for additional spiritual programs for women from all ministries at All Saints in the future. We reviewed 2017-2018 goals/strategies that have been submitted to the Pastoral Council for approval. And we completed the review done by Vivian McLemore and discussion of *Go and Make Disciples* from

the US Catholic Bishops (USCCB). The next meeting is Monday, May 22, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the ASCC Rectory Dining Room.



Meeting Highlights March 27, 2017

Commission members shared their experiences of and feelings about evangelization in the discussion on *Go and Make Disciples,* Part I by the USCCB. We agreed that "If even we on the Evangelization Commission are afraid to evangelize, we can identify with the feelings of everyone else in our parish." We recognize as Catholics, we have not focused on evangelization in the past. Now, we are encouraged by Pope Francis and others to evangelize our friends, family and loved ones. We are beginning to feel more comfortable with the idea of evangelization, and we affirm our support of and participation in the *1% Challenge to Get to Know Jesus* by taking 15 minutes a day to pray with Scripture.

Our discussion on Part II will continue at our next meeting – Monday, April 24 – 6:00 p.m. in the All Saints Rectory Dining Room.

The Sunday Scripture Discussion Sessions will continue to be held in the Eucharistic Chapel during Lent and Palm Sunday after 8:00 a.m. Mass. There will be no Scripture Sessions on Easter Sunday. Sandra Melcher, Chair



Meeting Highlights March 13, 2017

We had a conversation with Cecilia Smith-Robertson, Faith Formation Director, about upcoming religious education programs for youth, *What We Have Seen and Heard* evangelization series, and increased outreach services and hands-on activities with youth taking the lead.

We are experiencing increased parishioner participation in the Sunday Scripture Discussion Sessions which will be held in the Chapel after the 8:00 a.m. Mass beginning Sunday, March 19, 2017.

There is a possibility for potential collaboration with other commissions and encouraging parishioners' participation by serving on the Pastoral Council.

Next meeting - Monday, March 27, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the All Saints Rectory Dining Room. *Go and Make Disciples* and discussion of the USCCB's evangelization goals are topics of discussion.

Sandra Melcher, Chair Evangelization and Formation Commission



Meeting Highlights February 27, 2017

The Commission congratulated Sasha Deveaux Comissiong on the creative liturgical dance by our All Saints youth at the 10:30 a.m. Mass this past Sunday when All Saints parishioners were energized with lifted spirits and a standing ovation for the young dancers. Sasha shared her vision of the dance ministry that includes meaningful ways to engage All Saints youth of all ages by integrating Scripture, history and dance techniques as she teaches the children each week. Brainstorming on evangelizing youth through dance and Scripture and ideas on stabilizing the liturgical dance ministry at All Saints were the focus of the discussion.

Identified intended audiences and personae for 2017 Vision and Goals.

The next meeting is Monday, March 13, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the All Saints Rectory Dining Room. Sandra Melcher, Chair



Meeting Highlights February 13, 2017

- 1. Rosemary Murphy, Director of Outreach, joined us as we discussed opportunities to partner with the Human Concerns Commission in some of our activities.
- 2. April Grant shared the special ministry of Generations of Faith (GOF) as a family-oriented opportunity to experience and grow in our faith.
- 3. We reviewed and revised our Vision and Goals in preparation for presenting them to the Pastoral Council.
- 4. Commission is excited about the success of the Sunday Scripture Discussion Sessions which will be in the Narthex to attract more people on Sundays, March 5 & 12, 9:30- 10:15 a.m. The sessions meet in the Rectory Living Room at 9:15-10:15 a.m. other Sundays. All are welcome!
 - Join us for our next meeting Monday, February 27 at 6:00 p.m. in the Rectory Dining Room. Sandra Melcher, Chair.