

Stewardship/Communications Committee – March 26 2026

Attendance: Cindy Lessila, Jerry Leveille, Patrick Ciriacks, Duane Filtz

1. Easter/Lent Communication

- a. Website/bulletin has calendar of events and social media sites will be updated/ready
- b. D. Niles/D. Filtz to work with A. Smith to get pictures from Easter Week events

2. Welcoming

- a. C. Lessila reported Finance will run April 19 donut Sunday. Scouts will handle May 17 Will take a break in June & July
- b. Welcome Center to be staffed on April 11 & 12 (D. Niles Sat, 4 pm Phil Bain/Duane Filtz Sun 8/10:30)

3. Stewardship Region Mtg (will occur 2X/year going forward)

- a. D. Filtz attended the stewardship regional leader meeting hosted by Cindy Lukowitz on March 26 at Corpus Christi in Waukesha. Below are highlights.
 - i. **Mass Attendance** - Suggested listening sessions to find out what people want at Mass. First 7 minutes are critical, especially for new people in attendance. Welcoming at door is important.
 - ii. **Fundraising/Giving** - Use QR codes. Offer multiple ways to give. Prioritize giving methods/events. Do not overdo number of fundraisers. People give if they buy into mission. Have targets and goals with visible metrics.
 - iii. **Grow in Faith** - Encourage small groups with goal to grow number. Have once per month Ministry features. Use podcasts.
- b. C. Lukowitz still recommends having/calling it Stewardship Committee. Confusion over role of Stewardship Committee and focus only on fundraising. OK to change name (Vitality, Christ in Action , etc) if that would help.
- c. Other region stewardship leaders are using Flock notes and Parish Stack to communicate with parishioners/ministries. D. Filtz to work with D. Niles to understand what these are and if makes sense for St Joe's.

4. Committee Awareness

- a. Recommended at region meeting was featuring a ministry per month. See next page with method used by Corpus Christi (Bulletin, Table, Podcast, Pulpit).
- b. Reviewed draft list of St Joe ministries to feature. Suggested to link with Donut Sunday, Ask for your feedback on list. D. Filtz to present to ministries at April Pastoral Council meeting.
- c. See update Stewardship Committee overview page.

5. Finance Communication

- a. D, Filtz spoke with C. Lukowitz about follow-up communication from letter campaign. Not clear what is strategy/plan going forward. D. Filtz to talk with Father Justin about our role/plan.

6. Misc

- a. Next mtg will be on Weds April 15 at 6:30 p.m.

Human Concerns Ministry
"Ministry of the Month"
2026/2027

MINISTRY: _____

MONTH: _____

2nd Weekend of the Month: _____ (Dates)

(Recommended you have your program planned and all written information completed by the 15th of the prior month.)

* **Bulletin & Social Media Announcements**
(Script of ministry mission, activities and importance to the community.)
Due Date: _____
Send to : Nick Bailey at nbailey@ccwauk.org

* **Pulpit Announcements**
(Short - write what human concerns ministry will be in the narthex to tell about the ministry & how they can become involved.)
Due Date: _____
Send to: Nick Bailey at nbailey@ccwauk.org

* **Ministry Podcast with Father Matthew**
(Recording speaker/s assigned and recording date set with Nick Bailey & Father Matthew. Recorded during the 1st week of the month. Details worked out with Nick Bailey.)
Date: _____
Speaker/s: _____

* **Ministry Display Tables**
(Display tables at all churches with representatives at ALL masses. Title of the ministry, explanation of what the ministry does, activities done with volunteer sign up sheets, pictures, etc)
Talk to Pat Sennott regarding table set-up - when, where, what for and the size of the table.
Date: _____
Booth Volunteers:
St. John Neumann - _____
St. Mary - _____
St. William - _____

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