



Faith Formation Commission Meeting Minutes: January 19, 2023 @ 5:30PM in the Youth Center

Agenda Item	Discussion	Next Steps
Call to order and opening prayer	Offered by mark	
Previous meeting minutes	Reviewed and approved	
Reports	<p>Parish Council Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pastoral Council did not meet in January 2023 • One update is that St. Patrick officially owns the land north of the gym/Commons/Parish Offices as of January 12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Adds 26 parking spaces (14 south of Richardson's + 12 at 6th & Washington) ○ Reduces demand for street parking - no new business or apartments will be built ○ Provides potential for Parish, school, and/or daycare growth • Next Parish Council meeting is February 16th at 6:30PM <p>Adult Faith Formation</p> <p><i>Baptism Class</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The next baptism class is March 20th, and then final class on May 15th, 2023. • Next year classes will be scheduled by the class in March. <p><i>Catholic Faith For Adults (CFFA)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CFFA started in January - 11 people interested, 9 showed up. It is for all those who are interested in the Catholic faith. Non-Catholics and Catholics may 	

attend. Those wishing to join the church may do so at the Easter Vigil April 8th. The classes start after the 9:30 Mass and go to Noon. Dates for the classes are:

January 22

February 5, 12 & 26

March 5 & 26

April 2

April 8 - Wrap, rehearsal, and retreat. Easter Vigil.

- Anyone interested may contact Al Weber.

Bible Study

- What We Believe, The Beauty of the Catholic Faith. Will be offered again after Easter at a time in the evening.
- No Greater Love Bible Study will be offered during Lent.
 - Dates are 2/28, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 3/28.
 - The class will start at 6:30PM

Christmas

- The book, "Holy Moments, A Handbook for the Rest of Your Life," by Matthew Kelly has been ordered and received (750).
- These books were made available at the Christmas Masses (for free). There are only 15 remaining.

2023 Archdiocese of Dubuque Women's Conference

- St. Pat's will be a site for the conference. Fiat! Saying Yes to God! from 8AM to 1:30PM.
- 18 signed up
- One of the speakers is Jamie Rathjen, a parishioner from St. Pat's.
- Cost is \$10 with a light breakfast and lunch.

Men's Conference

- Coming up on March 25th
- Dr. Edward Shree is a speaker

Children and Youth Formation:

CGS

- Strategic planning was presented
- Sacramental preparation needs, updates, and presentations discussion is ongoing
- Only two more training sessions for Level 1, with one this weekend and one the last week of February.
- Will be 16 catechists that are fully level 1 trained - about half of them will serve St. Pat's

2-5th

- The 7PM Ash Wednesday Word, Ash, and Communion service has been removed from the calendar/schedule
 - Rosie will recommend families attend one of the other 3 Masses offered.
 - No Mass will be taking place since sessions are not taking place
 - Rosie has made a note for the future coordinators to discuss with Fr. Ivan in advance so the calendar can reflect a class session and 7PM (or other time) Mass

1st Reconciliation/Communion

- 60 children have received their 1st reconciliation, one more expected this weekend.
- 1st communion prep formally begins

6-12

- Lost 4 Middle school leaders at the end of 2022.
 - 1 parishioner volunteered, have parents rotating other 2 positions, and Rosie is hoping to be able to fill the 4th role
 - Rosie plans to speak at St. Stephen's when she hears from Paul Lee
- Middle school did not meet last Wednesday, January 11, because Rosie did not feel capable of dealing with catechists' shortage and security door situation on the same night

- Security door update
 - New security initiatives with doors were not functioning properly and added confusion to the programming on Tuesday and Wednesday last week. At one point some 9th grade girls could only enter the building through the main office door which was expected to be locked at that time, but was unlocked for Exodus 90 group.
 - Rosie recruited a volunteer to help manage the hallway last Wednesday night - thanks to Brock Krejchi for helping
 - Hallway monitor had some questions about expectations surrounding security interventions (i.e. what to do if a suspicious person would enter the building)
 - Next steps: improve security mechanisms, volunteer scheduling, communication to all office staff then all Parishioners.
 - Handicap door is not controlled by the key pad - will need to be followed-up on
 - What are the volunteers supposed to do if someone "suspicious" comes in
 - How long will the Knights be needed to help with the doors?
 - See Rosie's notes for further feedback on the doors

Youth Ministry

- NCYC 2023
 - 10 youth have registered and plan to attend through St. Pat's
 - Indianapolis - expecting about 10,000 total
 - Deadline was the 15th - Rosie will need to have all paperwork in by the 30th.
- TEC
 - Was canceled
- Ongoing social activities

Confirmation

- Registration is open
- No one came forward as a co-coordinator
 - I do have enough small group leaders and the plan/program is set
 - Parent meeting on Sunday, February 5, 2023 at 1PM
 - Confirmation sessions begin Sunday, February 12 from 12:30-2:30PM

	All <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rosie plans to work on the budget this month to present at the FFC meeting on February 9 Rosie continues to make notes as she thinks of things for the next two coordinators 	
Old business	Website: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tabled - did not have enough time to discuss CGS Strategic Planning: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> See copy of Rosie's strategic plan Follow-ups <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What do we want to do for children who come into RE/CGS looking for sacramental prep when they have not been in a atrium yet Rosie will update her strategic plan based on conversation and bring it back to the February meeting. Will take a look at the number of expected children and how many catechists will be needed to support the atria to be rolled out to all CGS by 2025-2026 year. Search Committee: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Father, Regina, and Mark have been working on updating some job descriptions. FFC members to review the job descriptions and send feedback to Mark 	<p>Mark will send out the bulletin announcements and job descriptions.</p> <p>FFC members to review the bulletin announcement and job descriptions and send feedback to Mark by next week.</p>
New business	General discussion/questions	
Next meeting	2023 Dates: 5:30-7:00 in the Youth Center <ul style="list-style-type: none"> February 9 March 9 April 13 May 11 	

Present for the meeting:

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