

## Education Committee Minutes from November 19, 2009 Meeting

In attendance: Karen Banta, Kay Dougherty, Sally German, Dylan Hosford, John Hosler, Anne Merwin, Hugh Mohler, Rosemary Peddicord, Kathleen Willis

Absent: Jennifer Myers, Ray Moreau, Laura Perry, Jane Rohd

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The meeting began at 7:34PM with prayer led by Karen Banta.

Minutes from the October meeting were approved and seconded.

The survey has been finished and is ready to go on-line. John Hosler and Jane Rohd will speak at the masses one weekend to talk about the survey. John will ask Ray about a possible date to do this. We would like to have members of the Education committee present in the Narthex at each of the masses to answer any questions parishioners may have. Volunteers are:

<b>Mass Time</b>	<b>Member to be present</b>
Saturday, 5:00PM	Rosemary Peddicord
Sunday, 8:00AM	Karen Banta, Kay Dougherty
Sunday, 9:15AM	Hugh Mohler
Sunday, 11:00AM	Anne Merwin
Sunday, 12:30PM	Sally German

We plan to send out information on the survey via email blasts and announcements placed in the Church, School and SSR Bulletins. We will have hard copies available for those who do not have internet access. The teen survey will be distributed to the 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders in our school and SSR.

Discussion ensued about which image and scripture passage we should use to identify the Education Committee. It was decided that our image would be taken from the carving on the South Bay 3 above The Blessed Sacrament Chapel (page 38 in the book). We will use Proverbs 4.5 for our passage "Get wisdom, get understanding!". John will ask Holly Hosler if she can work up a design using the image and passage.

Presentations on the educational opportunities offered at other churches ensued.

Anne presented information on Protestant churches where the focus was on the sermon and social hour afterwards.

It was recommended that we place copies of the pamphlet "What does a Catholic Believe" on the tables by the doors for any interested person to take.

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It was also suggested that a monthly calendar that can be hung on the refrigerator be developed with all Parish activities listed.

Rosemary looked at St. Louis' web site. They are using facebook to answer questions from their youth. They also have a photo journal and material from You Tube. A program is offered where parents and children meet so both are included in education. The Education Committee does not offer a lot of programs. They are reading the book A Man for All Seasons and will discuss it and watch the movie. We liked the idea of the book club and having movie nights.

Sally spoke about St. Ignatius. They have an active lecture series on Sunday afternoons, as well as during the week. They also plan trips.

John spoke about St. Isaac which was recommended by Carol Augustine. There are three options for faith formation: traditional, a family program or small group. They also have Middle School and High School drop-in nights from 7-8:30PM every Tuesday. Students are asked to bring their Bible and soda.

Karen presented information on St. John's and St. Margaret's.

It was mentioned that communication should be improved about the programs put on by Jack Buchner. It was recommended that Jack be formally introduced to the parish.

The meeting ended around 9:00.

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