

St. Edward Parish Community Life

Wednesday, February 1, 2017

6 pm (following Mass), Church Hall

The Parish Life gatherings of St. Edward Church are designed to build and strengthen the community of St. Edward while fostering a sense of welcoming and belonging for all.

- Present: Corey Vesely, Allison Vesely, Shelly Roberts, Joe Hart, Shirley Axline, Toni Pint-Burke
- The meeting began with prayer.
- Debrief & Follow-up
 - Family Meal January 21 – served approximately 120 after the 5:15 Mass. NCCY participants assisted with the service and a Free Will offering was directed to their fundraising effort. The group agreed it is good to offer gatherings at various times.
 - Celebrate Your Marriage, January 27 – Shelly reported the gathering exceeded expectations and all who attended enjoyed the evening. Plans are to hold the gathering again the last Friday in January, 2018. Discussion was held on the focus of the gathering and ensuring that the financial report reflects “in-kind” donations for future planning.
 - Review Financials – the budgeting process is expected to begin in the coming weeks, and the group will receive information for planning/funding the 2017/2018 fiscal year.
- Planning for:
 - Trivia Night – February 24
 - Joe reviewed plans for the event and an update on registrations to date. The event layout at the new venue, the Supervisor’s Club, was reviewed. It was noted that AV is available onsite. An income/expense analysis was previously reviewed, and although some expenses will increase with the new venue, some will decrease. Increased registration is anticipated. All excess funds will go to support vocations as was done last year.
 - Reception following Rite of Election - March 4, 11 a.m. – hosts are still needed
 - Lenten Soup Suppers – Carmen & Jeff Lappe are coordinating and beginning with Ash Wednesday this year. An “International Meal” will be included this year, coordinated by Martha Ives.
 - Reception following Agnus Dei Lenten Program – Palm Sunday, 4/9/17 – This needs to be confirmed with Dave Berns. Typically this is a simple cookie and beverage social following the program. Hosts will be needed.
 - Paschal Meal – Wednesday, 4/12/17 – Corey and Allison Vesely are hosting
 - Reception for Newly Initiated – Saturday, 4/15, 10 p.m. – This follows the Easter Vigil. Barb & Joe Hart will host.
 - Divine Mercy Sunday Family Meal – 4/23/17 – A Pancake Breakfast will be held with NCCY students again providing service.
 - 2017 Calendar Review – The school has not yet established an academic calendar for the 2017/2018 school year, so the Family Picnic is yet to be determined.
- Review ongoing coordination needs:
 - Coffee & Donuts Coordinator
 - “Helpers” for Retirees Luncheons
 - Funeral Dinner Coordinators
- Upcoming Meetings – 1st Wednesday of the month in Church Hall following 5:30 Mass
 - Approved change to meeting the following months: February, April, June, August, October, December

The mission of St. Edward Parish is to be an evangelizing community by faith, with love, in hope

The following activities fall within the scope of Parish Life: Coffee & Donuts, Fall Festival, Family Meals, Funeral Dinners, Movie Nights, Paschal Meal, Reception for Newly Initiated following Easter Vigil, Reception following Rite of Election (annual Arch event hosted by St. Ed’s) Retirees’ Luncheon, Scout Sunday Receptions, Trivia Night, Trunk-or-Treat, Welcoming, Special Events & Receptions