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ST. MARY HYDE PARK:

Evangelization: Inward growth and Outward action

Agenda September 27, 2016

Prayer and reflection:

Called to Witness, a brief history: Brian Geeding

FINAL PLAN:

Mission and Outcomes: Brian

Key Results Areas: Margaret Shank

- Communication
 - Worship & Spirituality
 - Catechesis & Education
 - Stewardship
 - Evangelization
- Outreach:
- In-reach:

NEXT STEPS/What does this mean to me!

What does Evangelization mean?

- be the face of God to others
- works – helping the poor
- serving out of your comfort zone
- relationships

What is the personality of St. Mary Hyde Park?

How is SMHP identified in the neighborhood?

- Neighborhood Council - @ ½ members are SMHP parishioners; including the president
- SMHP known by the school; Blue Ribbon. School is chosen
- The church? “the beautiful one by the square” big, great location
- You move to Hyde Park, then find SMHP if Catholic
- The festival
- Families; young adults; white; middle class – members reflect the neighborhood

- Locked doors
- Not tied to neighborhood in general – other churches in HP – open doors for neighborhood meetings; tie church activities to neighborhood activities, such as Art Fair; Flying Pig; Hyde Park Blast

What do we currently do?

Discipleship:

- MEAC – Terry Shea
- Day of Service – Terry Shea
- Lenten Cross – Julie Smyth and school
- Mass ‘speakers’ – Jim Corwin

Activities of Discipleship, but not directly coordinated or linked to Discipleship

- St. Vincent de Paul – Mike Linke
- Tender Mercies – Margaret Shank

Parish Life:

- Mardi Gras – Parish Life Committee

One-time events – or no longer happening

- Lobster Bake
- Harvest Fest
- School Reunion

Activities of parish life, but not directly linked to Parish Life

- Circle of Care – Emily Kroner
- Senior Bingo – Christine Conte
- Anniversary Brunch – Becky Laudemann
- Men’s Group – Andy Scarpetti
- POPS – Anne Marie Newmann
- New Mom’s group – Lizzy Hill

Who collects the “pill bottles?”

How do we grow inward to act outward and how do we serve St. Mary Hyde Park

- “grow inward” thru prayer and reflection: use Evangelization Commission meetings for this and for assisting those individuals taking responsibility for “outward action”
- i.e. “outward action”/individual activities take place on an “as needed” basis and by those who know the work.
- Each “outward action” has an identified contact or voice on the Evangelization Commission – who acts to assist as needed.
- **An Invitation to Reflect, Pray — and Publish**

Have you ever read, or heard at Mass, a scripture passage that touched you in a very real and personal way? Would you like to share that experience with others? This is just what the New Evangelization in the Catholic Church calls us to do: to be disciples — witnesses of Christ in our world — and to tell our personal faith stories. *The Word in Your Heart*, a new group being formed through St. Mary Parish’s Evangelization & Outreach Commission, will be a blend of writers’ workshop, prayer group, and faith-sharing for people of all ages who want to read, reflect upon, and write about scripture. Meeting time, place, and format will be determined by the group. One action goal will be to publish a weekly reflection in the Bulletin on a scripture passage from that Sunday’s readings, beginning with the First Sunday of Advent. Janet Buening, St. Mary parishioner and editor, writing professor, and author, will facilitate. Contact her at 513-871-9294 or janetrehlingbuening@gmail.com to join or get more information.

- “If only you would heed the **voice of the LORD**, your God...
It is not up in the sky, that you should say,
‘Who will go up in the sky to get it for us
and tell us of it, that we may carry it out?’
Nor is it across the sea...
No, it is something very near to you,
already in your mouths and **in your hearts**;
you have only to carry it out.” - Deuteronomy 30:10-14

Next Meeting: Tuesday November 1, 2016 after 6:45 pm Mass

Prayer: Brian

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