Adoration Committee Meeting Minutes November 20, 2018

Members present: Fr. Steve Binsfeld, Russ Craigmile, Suzanne Johnson, Jim Lingor, Lori Mayer, Sue McCulloch, Tim McCulloch, Randy Meyer, Francie Peterson, and Sonya Skinner. Absent: Randy Holthaus.

We opened at 5:30 pm with the Holy Spirit Prayer.

We reviewed the October 23 Formation Night. The positives were:

- Francie's opening prayer was perfect
- Laurie Youngers spoke on How Music is Chosen for the Liturgy and she did a great job
- Mary Gorghuber witnessed on Eucharistic Adoration and it was a powerful testimony
- Fr. Steve's prayer around the altar was wonderful
- People appreciated the new chairs

The negatives regarding the Formation Night were:

- There was a lower attendance—only 60-70 people
- People would like an additional food item with the usual bars/cookies

We discussed to continue to advertise the evening as a "Formation Night" so the entire parish feels welcome and not just those participating in Eucharistic Adoration. Russ agreed to MC when Sue is not willing or able.

We discussed possible speakers for the upcoming April 2 Formation Night and those beyond. We came up with the following speakers/topics:

- Spiritual Direction Why do we need it and when should we ask for it? (Joyce Eaton (sp?)??)
- What it means to be a Disciple of Christ?
- Forgiveness: How to forgive yourself and others?
- Saints: How to become a Saint and Knowing we are Called to Sainthood.
- How to use "Formed" that St. Mary's has subscribed for all parishioners to benefit from (could be a 10 minute presentation before speakers begin)
- Sr. Katherine Kraft (friend of Fr. Steve's)
- Sr. Delores Dufner, (friend of Fr. Steve's regarding Hymns)

Sue updated the committee on the following items:

- Adoration website has been updated with packet information, prayers, Adoration schedule, and videos of some of our speakers and witnesses (Deb Hadley, Paul Kietzmann, Mary Gorghuber).
- A laminated prayer for priests is in the chapel entrance on the buffet table for everyone's use
- Prayer cards for the Pittman family with Blessed Chiara Bandano are in the chapel entrance
- Prayer cards for Fr. Darin Didier are in the chapel entrance
- The chapel carpet will be cleaned on Fridays because the least amount of adorers will be affected
- There were less bats this August/September and Eric, our janitor, has some theories, but nothing solid yet.
- At a Monday night WINE Bunch meeting, 3 new people signed up for Adoration after hearing "15 Minutes in the Company of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament" in the Manual for Eucharistic Adoration. Sue will see if she can get copyright permission to have these words put on our web site.
- Bob & Jodi Vanderheiden are new to our parish and they are educated in CRHP (Christ Renews His Parish) Retreat. They moved from St. Michael. Russ is familiar with this evangelization program and will look into it further because of the connections his family has with CRHP.

Francie proposed a new candle holder/system for our chapel because the one we have been considering has been in the "works" for several years. She had seen it at St. Patrick's in New York City. It is called the St. Killian's Candle System and its web site is: <u>http://saintkillians.ie/</u> We will bring this up again at our next Adoration meeting.

We ended our meeting at 6:35 pm with prayer.

2018/2019 Meeting/Formation Night Schedule January 15, 2019 – Meeting – Following 5:00 pm mass April 2, 2019 – Formation Night – 7:00-8:15 pm (need speaker and witness person). May 14, 2019– Meeting – Following 5:00 pm mass