

## **Parish Life Meeting**

February 12, 2019 @ 5:30 p.m.

**Parish Life Mission Statement: The Parish Life Committee seeks to emphasize the importance of human relationships through fellowship within the St. Mary's Community.**

Members present: Father Steve, Savannah Aultman, Eileen Eiser, Virginia Mack, Kevin Richmond, Janet Schiltgen, Linda Thompson and Verna Winter

Call to order and prayer: Verna Winter

### **Secretary/Treasurer Report**

No change—will update next month

### **Old Business**

Movie night was held on January 19 in Great Hall. About 25 people attended and the committee felt that was a fair turnout for a cold January evening.

Parish Life events survey—will reword a couple of questions (social hour gathering) and possibly add a blank to ask what parishioners would like for events. Savannah will rework and resend to members.

### **New Business**

Savannah reported on Paint Party on February 22, 2019, from 7-9 pm in Great Hall. Participants can register through Art Bar 39. Project will be a 6' board and cost will be \$39-44. All supplies are included. Minimum of 30 people need to hold class. Bring your own beverage. Verna will coordinate snack/pop for the evening. It will be in the next bulletin, included in the email blast and on TV in common area.

Much discussion on Mardi Gras as to kind of foods to serve, time, where to serve, and how to draw more families. One suggestion was a brunch after the 10 o'clock mass on Sunday, in the Great Hall, if possible. The brunch could consist of eggs benedict, a modified egg scramble, fruit (incorporating the Mardi Gras colors of gold, green and purple) and King's cake. There are plenty of decorations. Eileen has masks that could be decorated by children as a possible "make & take". Fr. Steve emailed that the Saturday date is already in the bulletin so his recommendation is planning a brunch for next year.

Mardi Gras this year will be held on Saturday, March 2, 2019, from 6-8 pm. Menu will consist of Jambalaya, hot dogs, corn bread, salad (Eileen has good recipe), King's cake, lemonade, coffee, and water. St. Mary's plates can be used. Will need to cook/prep and decorate on Friday evening. Fr. Steve has music. Verna will check with Paul Maack for printing.

Briefly talked about calendar of events for 2019-20. Fr. Steve suggested we go with the calendar and if we need to change events, they can be changed.

Meeting adjourned.