

Stewardship Committee Meeting

October 10, 2024 12:00 pm – Parish Office Conference Room

Stewardship Committee Purpose: *“To help foster and develop in our parishioners a sense of belonging, commitment, and involvement in our Christian community resulting in stewardship as a way of life”*

Members: Ron Boyden, Dan Kirscht, Aaron Korynta, Jerry Kostreba, Jake Mach, Randy Meyer, Josh Waltzing (Pastoral Council liaison), Tammy Huss, Fr. Matthew Kuhn, Todd Wentworth; Bev Paul, Marianne Shrode

Present:

Ron Boyden, Dan Kirscht, Aaron Korynta, Jerry Kostreba, Jake Mach, Randy Meyer, Josh Waltzing, Tami Huss

Opening Prayer – Jerry Kostreba

Regular Updates:

- 1) Diocesan Stewardship Council – Randy
 - a) Diocesan Stewardship Day – Oct. 17 in Paynesville.
 - ★ **Stewardship: Living a Biblical Call –Dr. Bernie Evans 150 books will be available**
 - ★ **Dr. Bernie Evans will present live at St. Louis Catholic Church in Paynesville**
 - ★ **This event will be livestreamed to Princeton & be recorded for future use**
 - ★ **Meal served with free will offering**
 - ★ **Some concern over low registration numbers as of 10/9**
 - ★ **The Diocesan Stewardship Council is offering pastors resources and is willing to present to groups interested in starting Stewardship teams at parishes in the diocese.**
 - 2) Ministry Moments – Ron
 - a) Oct. 5/6 - Reboot video – played before Mass.- **Good introduction to Chris Stefanick**
 - ★ **800 people registered right now 10/9.**
 - b) updated guidelines to be reviewed for October meeting
 - ★ **Ron suggests moving the top paragraph on page 2 of the guidelines, so people see and focus on the personalization piece of the Ministry Moment.**
 - ★ **Possibly create an example of a personalized Ministry Moment for others to model from. We want everyone that shares to make it their own.**
- 3) Pastoral Council – Josh / Jake
 - ★ **How do we celebrate our successes and show gratitude to the many who are involved at St. Mary’s?**
 - ★ **How can we create positive touch points?**

Old Business:

- 1) Annual Stewardship Renewal recap
 - a. **Roll Call – Powerful to see the number of people that are involved and how many it takes to run our ministries.**
 - b. **Witness Talk – Adrian & Pam Panther – hard for some to hear. Pam & Adrian asked to shorten message for homily. Homily was not consistent with Stewardship message.**
 - c. **Commitment Cards Weekend – Randy was asked at the Diocesan Stewardship Council meeting how we measure the success of our commitment card weekend. How many new people are getting involved? Do we want to track that data? - Collection went well. Fr. Matt left time for people to fill out cards. Fr. Matt’s message was on point.**
 - d. **Add Marathon of Service to our Stewardship Renewal. Create the opportunity for parish families to participate. - Display in the commons area. - Fr. Matt would need to introduce the idea and participation information made available at the hospitality desk or in the bulletin.**

New Business:

- 1) Legacy Dinner –
 - a) nominate a chairperson to begin planning for 2025
- 2) Fr. McGread Stewardship conference – March 19-20, 2025
 - a) anyone interested in attending?
- 3) Elect secretary Position (3-year commitment: secretary [2025], asst. Chair [2026], chair [2027])
- 4) Dave Ramsey Class to be offered in January - Dan & Aaron will lead. Start promoting to ACC in November.

Closing Prayer – Jerry Kostreba

FUTURE MEETINGS:

Meeting day changed to Thursday

- 2nd Thursday of every month, 12:00 pm – 1:15 pm
- Nov 14, <No Dec>, Jan 9, Feb 13, Mar 13