

PARISH MINISTRY PETALS MEETING
APRIL 4, 2013

Fr. Brandon started the meeting with a prayer and then everyone prayed the St. Anne's Ministry Petals Prayer together.

Mr. Dennis Taricco, Principal of St. Anne's School spoke about the new requirements for the School's Confirmation Candidates. He then showed a short video presentation that was done by one of the students. Her presentation was on the West Coast Walk for Life in San Francisco this past January. She attended and handed out more than 200 rosaries and prayer cards. Mr. Taricco said that when she did her presentation in front of her class, all of her classmates applauded and that hers was the only presentation that received applause!

Affirmations:

- (a) Cheri Evans affirmed the Holy Thursday Veneration of the Cross that was held in St. Anne's Hall after the Mass.
- (b) Priscilla McMillen affirmed Linda Bosche for her work in the Parish Office. She reported that the day that she was in the Office, she could not believe how busy it was and how calm Linda was and what patience she had while multi-tasking. She said that Linda, Belen and Donna are amazing!
- (c) David Sandler affirmed Tony and the Youth Group for the Retreat for the High School kids.
- (d) Rita Ban affirmed the Social Justice group and Sister Sharon for the Bereavement Group - "a great service"!
- (e) Tony Moreno affirmed the Mexican-American Catholic Federation for the Taco Dinner to benefit the Confirmation Retreat. "It's amazing that the Community is behind us"!
- (f) Margaret Shore affirmed the Liturgies for the Tridium - especially the Good Friday Service and the use of the large Cross.
- (g) Marie Grady affirmed the three dinners that were held in March: the Taco Dinner, the Spaghetti Dinner and the Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner - "very nice"!
- (h) Donna Dominguez affirmed the School students for stuffing the BMA pamphlets in the Bulletins - "Thank you"!
- (i) Tony Moreno affirmed the Knights of Columbus for letting the teens help with serving dinner for their Valentine's Dinner and Dance. The kids collected tips that totaled almost \$400.00!
- (j) Carmen Musch affirmed the Choirs during Lent - "inspiring!"

Pastor's Report: Fr. Brandon Ware

Fr. Brandon reported "the City of Lodi has approved our Street Closure! We are grateful to the City!" He reported that we are currently interviewing landscape architects.

Fr. Brandon thanked everyone who was involved in the Holy Week activities.

Fr. Brandon announced that Patty Herrera will begin as a part-time Receptionist next week. She will be working with Linda in the Front Office. He also reported that they are in the process of interviewing for a new Music Director. They have interviewed one person and have three more to interview. Fr. Brandon also reported that we are looking for a part-time Communications Assistant to work on the bulletin. This person should be bilingual in English and Spanish and also "speak" computer!

Fr. Brandon thanked the community for standing behind us with the recent arrest of Fr. Julio. He asked that everyone please pray for all those involved; that they reach a peaceful solution for all parties.

Fr. Brandon stated that Bishop Blaire's parish visit is now complete. "The Bishop is most supportive and gave us an "A!"

Ministry Budget 2013-2014

Deacon Greg spoke about Budgets. He said, "It's that time of the year!" He thanked Teresa Locke and Fr. Brandon for the current forms that are used. He asked that all Budget forms be turned in by May 1, 2013.

Petal Business: Donna Dominguez

Donna asked everyone to please pray about their Ministries' Petal Representative and the Alternate. She needs the completed forms back by the June Petal Meeting. She asked each Ministry to please turn in any changes to their Rosters. She will use the information on the Rosters to send out invitations for our Annual Ministry Day which is scheduled for August 3 this year. She reported that the School's Petal Presentations were done March 16 & 17 and that the next Petal Presentations will be for the Social Justice Petal and will be done on May 18 & 19.

Announcements and Approved Handouts

Donna went over the Announcements and Approved Handouts: Visitation and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for Divine Mercy Sunday on April 17 from 3-4:30pm, the Daughters of Isabella's Queen of Isabella Celebration on April 19 - they want to welcome all those who joined the Church at the Easter Vigil and those who are new to the Parish. All members of the Daughters of Isabella and all Parishioners are invited to join them. Another approved

handout was for the Daughters of Isabella Annual Tea Social on April 27. Bon Appetite will cater the food.

Petal (Small Group) Discussion

Catholic Fellowship Petal

Ministry check-in:

Knights of Columbus – their free throw contest saw Monica Valenzuela take her skills all the way to the state level and win. They also awarded her \$300 in an athletic scholarship. They will be holding a basketball clinic in July, more info to come. Their Valentine's and St Patrick's Day dinner and dance went well. They will be hosting the Priest's appreciation dinner and dance on August 17th. The knights are incorporating regular pancake breakfasts to help benefit the youth programs in the parish.

Daughters of Isabella-on April 19th is the Queen Isabella Celebration open to all to attend; April 27th is the Social Tea fundraiser for the many groups that they support, tickets are available now. They will be holding a Marian festival on May 19th at St Joachim's Church in Lockeford. The Daughters awarded a registration fee scholarship of \$300 for a student to attend St Mary's High School.

Seniors-the seniors meet regularly for lunch and social time. This is open to anyone aged 55 years or more.

Teams of Our Lady-informational session are taking place now. Lodi has two active teams and they are trying to grow this ministry.

Mexican American Catholic Federation-college scholarships for high school students in the Lodi Unified School District will be awarded, applications are currently being taken. They helped the religious education program raise over \$2000 for retreat costs.

Young Ladies Institute-Their Bunco fundraiser will take place June 30th. They have a conference in July being held in Seattle where one of their members will be recognized for having been a member for over 50 years.

St Anne's School Parent Club-several classes will be going on field trips this month: Mission trip, Beauty and the Beast play, Valley Days and Fog Willow Farms. The fine arts night is being held on April 18th at 7 pm in the gym, this event is open to all to come and view the art projects the students have worked on throughout the year. The school will be holding a Spring Dinner Dance on April 20th at Van Ruiten Winery, tickets are \$60 per person, the event is open to all.

Liturgy Petal

Minutes 4/4/13 Petal Meeting

The Liturgy Petal discussed and critiqued the Holy Week/ Easter services to see where we can improve for next year.

Holy Thursday went smoothly.

Good Friday - went much smoother this year. Laying the big cross on a table for access by three people at a time expedited the veneration of the cross. Last year it took almost an hour and a half.

Next year we would like to use the big cross in the center and two smaller crosses; one for each side aisle. Fr. Bill suggested we ask Dick Ling to make the two crosses.

Easter Sunday - since the 8:30am and 10:30am masses were so well attended and the church was overflowing, we will be presenting to the ministry team that a 7am mass be reinstated. Can be either Spanish or English – or bilingual.

Parking for Easter (and any other days where we have large celebrations) has always been a problem. We will be requesting that the school playground be open for parking on these days

It was brought up that the 12:30pm Sunday masses are always so full and parking is at a premium, that the playground be open every Sunday for additional parking. We will present to the ministry team.

Handicap parking was discussed and may be addressed at a later time.

Handicap seating for the days where we have large celebrations seems to be insufficient as we have it now. A suggestion was made that maybe on these days we can extend the handicap reserved seating across the front to include the center aisle. (Since it is difficult to reach further than the second pew in the current handicap spaces, it would not be practical to add a third row) We will present this to the ministry team.

Remember to notify your ministry members of the upcoming events and issues.

Time to recruit new petal Representative and Alternates.

Items to be presented to the ministry team

- It might be time to stop the “burrito” commentary.

- Double check the accuracy of announcements. Maybe the announcer can review the announcements before so they can avoid announcing an event that has already passed.

Faith Formation Petal

ST. ANNE'S ROSARY MAKERS REPORT

Completed Projects:

- 114 cord rosaries for confirmation candidates
- 20 wire rosaries for catechumens
- 200 cord rosaries for James A Haley Veterans' Hospital, Tampa, FL
- 20 cord rosaries Religious Ed class.
- 100 cord rosaries for Spanish Ushers – Liturgy Petal
- 7ea. 1-decade wire rosaries for new DOI members
- St. Anne's 8th grade wire-rosary making workshop

Current Projects:

- 1st Holy Communion wire rosaries for St. Anne's students
- 80 cord rosaries for Lodi convalescent hospitals--- project of St. Anne's 8th grade student.
- 200 Military cord rosaries for Support The Troops, Lodi
- 100 1-decade wire rosaries for DOI's State Circle May celebration
- 100 1-decade right-to-life wire rosaries for Walk For Life in Jan 2014
- 10ea. 1-decade wire rosaries for Melitta Heli, Pastoral Care

SEEDS OF FAITH REPORT

- Upcoming Day of Recollection for members on the Feast of the Annunciation to celebrate the anniversary of the group's formation.
- Monthly meetings will continue through June on the 2nd Thursday of each month. All parishioners are invited to attend the first hour of the evening in the chapel for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Book study for members only follows Adoration.
- Group will be taking a break during July and August and will begin again in September with an annual retreat.

- Group would like to encourage all women to attend the women's Bible study, Women on the Road to Emmaus, that meets on Monday evenings. For more information contact Annette Murdaca.

VISITATION/ADORATION REPORT

- Distribution of our new manuals is going well. If you have not yet picked up your manual or the updated revisions, please contact Olivia Heier to be sure to obtain the latest updates.
- The Team is contacting Adorers this week by telephone to remind them of Divine Mercy Sunday and to pick up their Manuals or updated revisions if they have not already done so.
- **Divine Mercy Sunday – April 7, 2013 3:00-4:30PM**
The message of The Divine Mercy is that God loves us ---all of us. And, He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy.
 - **Adoration Hostesses/Greeters will be available to provide worship aids, have a table available for ministry brochures and welcome sign up for additional adorers.**
 - **You will have to time to venerate the Image and to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet.**
 - **All materials are in English and Spanish, including the Chaplet**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REPORT

- 3/9 Taco Dinner was a successful \$2189.00
- 3/19 Holy Communion English Retreat was attended by more than 150 students and parents
- 4/12 Confirmation Rehearsal 5:30 and 7:00 PM
- 4/16 Confirmation Ceremony 7:00 PM Rel. Education, St. Anne's, and Mater Ecclesiae
- 4/17 Confirmation Ceremony 7:00 PM RCIA, RCIT
- 4/20 First Reconciliation for Holy Communion candidates grades 3 and up 10:00 AM

ST. ANNE'S SCHOOL REPORT

- Easter Cookie Ministry delivered bags with prayer cards and flowers to local nursing homes and the homebound.
- Spaghetti Dinner was a success
- Five students medaled at the Science Olympiad held at McNair High School
- All school students participated in prayer services held in the afternoon on both Holy Thursday and Good Friday

ON-GOING ADULT FAITH FORMATION REPORT

- Adult catechism classes continuing to do well and all are encouraged to attend.
- Lenten Longings recently ended and many groups have chosen to continue to meet. Waiting to hear from the Diocese regarding new program possibility, Just Faith Ministries.

ISSUES BEING REQUESTED TO BE TAKEN TO THE MINISTRY TEAM

- On-Going Adult Faith Formation would like to make prayer cards to be given out on Name Tag Sundays in honor of the Year of Faith that would have a portion of the Creed on one side and a mini catechesis on the portion on the other side. The card could also include an area for each parishioner to record their prayer partner's name for that month.
- On-Going Adult Faith Formation would also like to propose adding an additional day of weekly confession to the current Saturday only schedule.
- A question of concern was brought up regarding the deletion of individual confessions date(s) during Holy Week that used to be a tradition on the Parish.

Youth and Young Adult Petal

Minutes were not received.

Social Justice Petal

Minutes were not received.

Flower (Large Group) Discussion

Final Announcements:

Donna thanked everyone for coming. She reminded everyone to please send any issues that you want to bring to the Ministry Team to her by Monday, April 8. She asked that

everyone please communicate with your Ministry. She thanked the St. Anne's School Petal for providing the refreshments for tonight's meeting.

Donna announced that the next Petal Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 2 and she asked that the Youth and Young Adult Petal and the Catholic Fellowship Petal please provide the refreshments for that meeting.

Donna said that pictures of our Holy Week Services can be found on Face Book.

Fr. Brandon then closed the meeting with a prayer.