

PARISH MINISTRY PETALS MEETING NOVEMBER 5, 2015

Donna Ferrer welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Fr. Brandon said a prayer and we all prayed the St. Anne's Parish Ministry Petals Prayer together.

We watched a reflection video by Bishop Robert Barron who spoke on Pope Francis and Mercy.

Affirmations:

Pati McKinstry affirmed Deacon Tom Driscoll for the Training Session he did for the Ministers of Holy Communion.

Jennifer Bond affirmed Donna and JR Ferrer for an amazing video!

Donna went over the affirmations that were on tonight's meeting agenda:

- Thank you to all of those who attended our Day of Reflection in September. It was a beautiful day together.
- Sr. Gloria de Jesus, EFMS for guiding our Ministry Team through our retreat in October.
- Tony Moreno and his team for leading our young people in their Confirmation I Retreat.
- To all the staff and parents that helped put on the Harvest Fest.

Pastor's Report: Fr. Brandon Ware

Fr. Brandon reported that we will be entering the "Year of Mercy" beginning on December 8. He said that the Holy Father and the Bishop are asking that all meetings start with prayer and that we think about mercy. The Parish will offer some suggestions on what we at St. Anne's can do for the Year of Mercy.

Ministry Team Positions Update:

Fr. Brandon reported that there has been some rearranging in responsibilities on the Ministry Team: In addition to their other responsibilities, Jennifer Bond will now be responsible for Human Resources and working with the Facilities and Maintenance team for our community and Donna Ferrer will now be handling Issues with finances and numbers.

Reorganizing of the Petal Meetings:

Fr. Brandon spoke about the following changes to the Petal Meetings:

- We will change from 10 Petal Meetings a year to 3 or 4 per year.
During the in-between months, the Liaisons will be connecting with the ministries of their Petal to continue the conversations from the Ministry Team to the ministries and vice-a-versa. "We will still have the process of the parish discernment so that your ideas continue to come in."
- Change in Petal Weekends from every other month, to a Ministry Fair in the Plaza with smaller ministry sign-up reminders in between months. Maybe a Recruitment Drive could be done - details still need to be worked out".
- The goal is **NOT** to go back to each ministry operating autonomously, but to continue to work together as the body of Christ in our Ministry at St. Anne's.

Fr. Brandon said that ideas still need to be presented to the Ministry Team. He suggested that the groups brainstorm tonight to see how you can still meet in the "off" months.

Plaza Project Update:

Fr. Brandon reported "the trees are now up - it's coming along very, very nice!"

Video Updates and Stewardship Presentation:

Fr. Brandon said we will get a "sneak peak" of the Plaza this weekend! The video will highlight the past year. He said that we want to continue to grow and he hopes that the people will continue to support the parish with their time, talent and treasure.

Update on Diocesan Bankruptcy:

Fr. Brandon reported that the wife of the judge who is handling the bankruptcy case died, so that has set the process back. Father said he thinks that the bankruptcy will probably not be done until 2016.

Work at the Diocese:

Fr. Brandon reported that he is working at the Diocese helping to connect three other Parishes. He meets with these communities to find out their hopes and challenges and then gives a report to Bishop Blaire. The three Parishes that he is working with are: St. Patrick's in Angels Camp, and Church of the Presentation and St. Bernadette's, both in Stockton. He said that they are trying to put together a plan to transform these Parishes.

St. Anne's School & Harvest Fest Update: Sarah Gillum

Sarah said "Harvest Fest went well. Thank you to everyone who supported us!" She said that the numbers are still coming in and she hopes to have them soon.

Fr. Brandon said that some people thought that the Fest wouldn't be the same having it on the School's playground, but it was very relaxing! He said that we will have to see (plan) what next year's Harvest Fest will look like with the Plaza being done.

Petal Business: Donna Ferrer

Everyone received a 2015-2016 Parish Flower Petal Contact Information Packet tonight with the meeting agenda. Donna asked that we please use this contact information to communicate with others, especially in our "off" months. She reminded everyone to please be sure to let her know of any changes.

Announcements/Approved Handouts:

- Mexican-American Catholic Federation - Tamale Dinner - Sat. November 21
- Youth & Young Adults - Passionate Faith - Mondays at 7pm in the Skillin Building
- Knights of Columbus - "Keep Christ in Christmas" Card Sale - Weekends in November
- Liturgy - Thanksgiving Bilingual Mass - Thurs. November 26 at 9:00am
- Las Posadas - December 16-24 at 7:00pm
- Shrine of St. Anne - Annual Memorial Candles

Donna showed how we can find the photos of the Plaza progress on our webpage. Donna reported that Lourdes Sanchez is handling the Posada's this year. She also reported that the first plaques have been put on the Annual Memorial Candles. She reminded everyone that order forms for the Annual Memorial Candles can be found online or on the back of this week's parish bulletin.

Petal (Small Group) Discussion

Flower (Large Group) Discussion

Final Announcements:

Donna thanked everyone for coming. She reminded everyone to please be sure to submit any petal issues/items that you want to present to the Ministry Team by Monday, November 9. She thanked the St. Anne's School and the Youth and Young Adult Petal for providing the refreshments for tonight's meeting.

She announced that the next Petal Meeting will be on Thursday, February 4, 2016 and the Faith Formation and Liturgy Petals are asked to provide the refreshments that evening. She

stated that the dates of the next two Petal Meetings are on the bottom of tonight's Meeting Agenda.

Donna reminded everyone about getting their information for the bulletin submitted in a timely manner. During the holidays, bulletin deadline dates change, so please get your information in to the bulletin ASAP.

Fr. Brandon thanked Donna for her hard work. He reminded everyone to please share the information they heard at tonight's meeting with others.

There being no further business, Fr. Brandon said a prayer and then we all prayed the Our Father together.