

PARISH MINISTRY PETALS MEETING
January 4, 2018

Donna welcomed everyone to the meeting.

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

Fr. Brandon started by saying "thank you for being here."

We watched a video by Fr. Mike Schmitz "The Secrets to sticking to a New Year's Resolution".

Affirmations:

Fr. Brandon affirmed Pati McKinstry for being here every Thursday for the Petal meeting and helping set up since the Petal formed.

Fr. Brandon affirmed Olivia Heier for being one of the founding mothers of the Petal, she is the one who helped form the Petal prayer.

Affirmation for Tony & Liturgy Team for the Penance Service; it went very smoothly.

St. Vincent de Paul Ministry wants to affirm Linda, Letty and Lourdes, it starts with them. without them, St. Vincent de Paul would be nowhere.

Affirmation for Deacon Tom and Kim for the Lady of Guadalupe Novena.

Affirmation for Lourdes Sanchez for the Posadas, a lot of work went into the Posadas.

Affirmation for the tile of Our Lady of Guadalupe it is very pretty and a lot of wonderful comments.

Affirmation to the Daughters of Isabella for their bake sale, it was very successful \$967

Affirmation to all the Parishioners who donated to the Giving the Gift of Faith Tree. This will help the Confirmation students with retreat costs. Your Donations are greatly appreciated.

Donna went over the affirmations that were on tonight's Meeting Agenda:

- Thank you for all of those who helped with Thanksgiving Mass and to all who brought food for the needy.
- St. Anne's School for a wonderful Light Parade float.
- Rose, teachers and aids for their hard work on the school Christmas Pageant.
- Sr. Azucena, Sr. Isabel and all who helped make the Our Lady of Guadalupe float beautiful.
- We want to give a big thanks to Gloria Velasco and her team of helpers that worked so hard on the celebrations for Our Lady of Guadalupe and the unveiling of the tile image of Our Lady of Guadalupe.
- Lourdes Sanchez, Zenaida, Juanita Lopez, Maria Miranda, Jesus Herrera, Jose Ordaz, Juan and all who helped in organizing and/or supporting the Posadas.
- Nacho, Brian and Ray for the lighting of the Plaza with Christmas lights and setting up the Nativity Scene
- Thank you to all who helped in preparing the Church for Christmas and to all of the Liturgical Ministers that served.

Donna explained we are adding to the agenda "**General Questions/ Concerns**" to the Petal. This is if someone has a question or a concern about something going on in our Parish community.

One person asked "what happened to baby Jesus?" Fr. Brandon will answer in his Pastor's Report later in the evening.

Pastor's Report: Fr. Brandon Ware

Personal Update:

We wish Fr. Jorge well as he has been moved to Newman. We had a wonderful reception on Sunday, December 31 and he left on Tuesday, January 2.

We welcome Fr. Alvaro to St. Anne's. He has been a Priest for many years in our Diocese.

We welcome the new Bulletin Editor, Lucy Gallegos, and we wish Brianda Contreras well in her new journey.

Update on School Playground Project:

Fr. Brandon reported that all the communities reviewed with positive remarks and have been given the green light. We have to fund all the money before starting the renovation. Hopefully we can start renovations this summer or next summer.

Catholic Schools Week:

If you know any family with children who would love to attend St. Anne's School ask them to come to Open House on Sunday, January 28th. Don't let finance stop you from coming and seeing our school. It's a blossoming school. Pass this on to your ministries.

Update on the Tile Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe:

Thank to Gloria and her team it ran very well.

Lady of Guadalupe is not done, adding some Spanish tile and a roof over the top. Hopefully end of January it will be done.

Nativity Vandalism in the Plaza:

Fr. Brandon reported that on New Year's Eve a person who was not in their right state of mind broke the baby Jesus, the donkey and the cow from our nativity. The police were called and a report has been filed. Hopefully, by December we can purchase some new statues but, most likely we are going to have to do some fundraising in order to replace the statues.

Petal Business: Donna Ferrer

Nametag Sunday:

Is there a person or group(s) who would like to take over Nametag Sunday? In total it takes 15 minutes to set up and take down. See attachment for more details.

St. Anne's School Petal Weekend:

St. Anne's School Petal weekend is January 20-21. Theirs is a little different, they will be promoting their Open House for the following weekend.

Announcements / Approved Handouts:

Donna went over the approved handouts for tonight's meeting:

- Liturgy: **Benediction and Adoration for the Epiphany** – Sun., January 7th
- **Parish Office & Adoration Chapel Closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday** - Mon., January 15th
- St. Anne's School: **Crab Feed Dinner** – Sat., January 20th
- Respect Life: **Walk for Life 2017** – Sat., January 27th
- St. Anne's School: **Open House** – Sat., January 28th

Petal (Small Group) Discussion:

Flower (Large Group) Discussion:

Faith Formation Petal Minutes

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Petal Discussion

Ministries Check-In: That Man is You Ministry: Are coming to the conclusion of their three year curriculum called "That Man is You". This curriculum has helped them as men to take on their role as men in the world and to better assume their role as fathers. On January 18th they will begin to meet at 7:00p.m in the Skillin Room to continue with more formation. Religious Education Program: Classes will resume on Friday January 5th and the following week to continue with formation classes for the children, youth and adults. This second half of the school year will focus more on preparing for the retreats and final meetings with the parents of students who are preparing to receive a Sacraments in May. We have booklets for two major Conferences that will be happening in March. Come by the office to pick up a registration booklet.

General Discussion:

Response to Parish Question (If one is asked.): The Christmas Masses were very beautiful and the Children's choir was very nice. Would have liked to see more children in the choir.

Social Justice Petal Minutes

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Petal Discussion

Ministries Check-In: Mary Ann reported that Outreach helped with Fr. Jorge's farewell reception. She also said we haven't had a funeral that asked for outreach since September. Since we have 2 new members in our group we just shared our ministries. Frank Represented St. Vincent de Paul and Mary Ann is with Outreach.

Response to Parish Question (If one is asked.): We recommend that the children bring in Baby Jesus and lay Him in the manger. They enjoyed the Christmas Eve Children's mass. Very organized at Communion time. Sr. Sharon and I were at the 8:30 mass, it seems that people could have sang with more enthusiasm.

Liturgy Petal Minutes

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Petal Discussion

Ministries Check-In: Dcn. Tom & Kim Driscoll, Fr. Bala, Gloria Velasco, Anita Oxaca, Jesus Cervantes, Jesus Herrera, Tony Moreno, Thomas Moran, Olivia Heier, Pati McKinstry

General Discussion: • The yearly meeting by Dcn. Tom with the Ministers of Holy Communion has been rescheduled to 1/28/18 at 2:00pm in the church. • A Liturgy meeting will be scheduled in the next few weeks to begin planning for Lent and Easter • The Liturgy Petal is asking for ideas on how we can improve our major liturgies

Response to Parish Question (If one is asked.): The issue presented for discussion by the Ministry team: What Christmas Liturgy did you attend? What are 2 pros and 2 challenges of that Liturgy? • There was someone in the group that attended each of the Christmas Masses except 10:30am. After much discussion it was determined that due to the fact of the Sunday/Christmas Monday, this would be a difficult year from which to make decisions as these issues may not happen again. • Positive comments were made for each of the masses. Many expressed a desire to see baby Jesus processed into church instead of just placed in the manger • Ushers were an issue at the 9:00pm Spanish mass and Midnight mass • It was very difficult to get English Ministers of Holy Communion to cover all but the 5:30pm Children's mass, which was the only one fully scheduled

Catholic Fellowship Petal Minutes

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Petal Discussion

Ministries Check-In: Louie Calderon- Knights of Columbus, Kim Bossaller- Teams of Our Lady, Ray Naylor the Church Liaison and Gladys Bates-Garden Angels

General Discussion: Knights of Columbus: They are having a Basketball Throwing Hoop Competition on Jan 27 at 9am. This is open to all the children in the community. They are also getting ready for their Annual Seminarian Dinner on Feb 24.

Teams of Our Lady: They want to increase their couple marriage teams. They are inviting couples to an informational meeting on Jan 22 at 7 pm at Kim Bossaller's home. These couples can be: newlyweds, raising families, or empty nesters.

Response to Parish Question (If one is asked.): Christmas Liturgy:

Pros: Ray Naylor was impressed with the amount of people, among them children, who attended the Midnight mass on Christmas Eve.

Final Announcements:

Donna reminded the note takers to please fill out the Online Form and submit your minutes by Monday, January 8th.

Donna reminded everyone to please be sure to communicate with your Ministry what you heard here at tonight's meeting.

Donna thanked the Faith Formation Petal for providing the refreshments for tonight's meeting.

Donna announced that the next meeting will be on Thursday, February 1st and the Liturgy Petals are asked to please provide the refreshments for that meeting.

Fr. Brandon reminded everyone to please support the events that are happening in the Parish.

Fr. Brandon said a prayer and then we all prayed the Our Father together.