

PARISH MINISTRY PETAL MEETING
APRIL 7, 2011

Donna Dominguez, Communications Director, started the meeting by telling everyone that Fr. Brandon, Fr. Joseph and Fr. Mario would not be attending the meeting tonight as they are helping with confessions at St. Michael's Church tonight. She then started the meeting with everyone reciting the "RENEW" prayer.

Affirmations:

- a. Peggy Schoch affirmed the Daughters of Isabella for a wonderful Lenten Retreat.
- b. Lydia Van Steyn said that there is only 1 more Thursday to participate in the "40 Days for Life."
- c. Carmen Musch affirmed the 10:30 am Choir for their singing while the children are coming up to the front before they leave for Children's Liturgy.
- d. Adrian Cisneros affirmed Thelma Ahn for handing out our bulletin to someone who said that they used to attend our Church, but now attend elsewhere.
- e. Melitta Heli affirmed Peggy Schoch and her helper for taking ashes on Ash Wednesday to the nurses at Lodi Memorial Hospital. The nurses really appreciated it.
- f. Teresa Locke affirmed Rosa Trevizo and her group of helpers for the great job of organizing the Ash Wednesday services.

Housekeeping:

- a. Donna stated that there are 2 new contact persons. The Catholic Fellowship Petal has added Delores Silva as the representative for St. Anne's Seniors, and the Social Justice Petal has added Belinda Hurst as the representative for the Parish Nurse program.
- b. The minutes from this meeting are due to Donna by Monday, April 11.
- c. Donna reminded every group to be sure to fill out the Ministry Information sheet for our parish website.
- d. Donna went over the St. Anne's Ministry Fair handout and she went over the duties for each group. The theme is "The Holy Spirit"; as it falls on the weekend of Pentecost. She reminded the petal representatives that the duties are not for them alone - they need to take it to their Ministry and have everyone help them!
- e. Donna told everyone that donations for the raffle baskets can be dropped off in the Parish Office or brought to the May meeting.
- f. She spoke about the presentation on the chapel revitalization. There are now leaflets with information and ideas for donation opportunities.
- g. She mentioned the flyer for the Daughters of Isabella's Tea on May 21st.
- h. Fr. Joseph will lead the benediction/adoration on Divine Mercy Sunday May 1.

Loretta Baker stated that she has been asked by Fr. Brandon to speak about Catholic Charities at the Masses in May; dates not yet secure. She is looking for volunteers to help her. She needs Spanish speakers too!

Someone asked when is the correct time to begin the Easter Novena Prayer. The answer was to begin on Good Friday.

Mr. Dennis Taricco, Principal of St. Anne's School, then gave a "presentation" on Annie's Angels who help prepare and serve dinner at the Hope Harbor Homeless Shelter once a month. Dennis said that the School has "Jean Day" where students pay \$2.00 to wear jeans on a particular day and they gathered \$800.00 which went towards the funding for Annie's Angels. Mr. Taricco said that they try to teach the school students to be of service to the community. This program began when Fr. Joe Illo was here (many years ago!). Dennis feels that this is a good way to show the community that we can help. The dinner that is served consists of chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, salad, rolls and milk. These items need to be

purchased, and the school is looking to the Parish to help with the funding. Robin Precissi said that she has someone who purchases the salad and someone who purchases the milk every month. The school hosts this dinner 9 times a year and it costs approximately \$200-250.00 per month. They feed about 150 people each time. Someone raised the question asking why we couldn't have a second collection to get these funds? The answer was that the Diocese would have to approve this. Mrs. Robin Precissi suggested that maybe each group could make a donation? Annette Murdaca said that the Shelter no longer feeds only men. There are now families with children who eat at the Shelter. Robin said that it is a good thing for the children to see; it's quite a diverse group. Loretta Baker said that we need to educate the Parish! Donna said to talk this over this with your group tonight to see how your group suggests you handle this issue.

Teresa Locke then spoke about the 2011-2012 budget. She stated that most of the money comes from our weekly first collections. She reminded everyone to be sure to fill out the Fundraising Proposal form when your group wants to have a fundraiser. She told us that we also have to add sales tax to anything we sell (rosaries, bibles, books, etc.). 8.75% needs to be paid on tangible items. Wine and soda (drinks) needs to be taxed when there are dinners, and the tax money needs to go to the State of California. When you have a raffle, there are laws that taxes need to be paid. She also reminded everyone to be sure to fill out an Expenditure/Check Requisition form when you would like to be reimbursed for

something. Teresa also stated that even if we purchase things on-line, we still have to pay the sales tax on items even if they were purchased out of state. This tax needs to be added to your budget. She then went over the budget form for 2011-2012. She stated that she needs to know each groups' budget so that we can plan for the new budget that begins on July 1st.

Teresa said that the collections for July-September of last year the collections stayed about the same; but that since January, the collections have been down about 6%. She asked that the budget forms be completed and turned in at the next meeting, or you can turn them in to the Parish Office. Someone asked if the budget stays the same, can you just put "same budget"? Teresa said "yes".

Donna reminded the groups to go over what's been going on in their Petal and to decide which 1 or 2 things they want to bring to the Ministry Team.

Large Group Discussion:

Catholic Fellowship: Ana Molina

a. Parish Dinners. The dates have been finalized: August 10, October 19 and February 29. They will notify everyone of the details.

b. Mexican-American Catholic Federation will host a Mother's Day Dinner Dance on Saturday, May 7 in St. Anne's Hall. Funds collected will go towards the chapel renovation project.

Liturgy: Carmen Musch

a. Carmen read a note that read: "A lector asked me to bring to the meeting a request for further review of the future of the St. Vincent de Paul Ministry. They asked that the parish be invited to offer input and/or suggestions.

St. Anne's Youth & Young Adults: Adrian Cisneros

a. The first Young Adult Group held their first meeting last week. 15 people showed up!

b. Life Teen did a "food fast" for 24 hours and heard a speaker from Gauna.

c. A "NET" team will be here during Holy Week and will have a Retreat in St. Anne's Hall on Wednesday, April 20th.

d. "Amigos de Jesus" will have Live Stations of the Cross on Good Friday.

e. "Amigos de Jesus" will have a Mini-Retreat on Saturday, July 30th in St. Anne's Hall.

Faith Formation: Olivia Heier

- a. The "Arise" program will close this Lenten season with a Taize prayer service on Tuesday, April 19th at 7pm in the Church.
- b. Study of the New Roman Missile
- c. Presentations about the Chapel renovations are being done.
- d. There will be a Spanish presentation on Natural Family Planning on Wednesday, April 27 at 6pm in St. Anne's Hall.
- e. English Marriage preparation has added a new couple to give pre-marriage counseling.
- f. Religious Education program is doing Rice Bowls during Lent and are busy with preparation for Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion.
- g. Rosary Makers gave Rosaries to the Confirmation candidates. Want or need Rosaries? Contact Joyce Rae Castles.
- h. Would like to have evening adoration.
- i. Would like to ask the Ministry Team if we could advertise our Adoration Chapel on Immaculate Heart Radio.

Social Justice: Marianna Sperling

- a. Respect Life Group is requesting permission from the Ministry Team to hand out prayer cards one weekend in May.
- b. Has seen an increase in people requesting to receive Communion at home.
- c. The Parish Nurse group have joined with other Nurses in the community.
- d. The St. Vincent de Paul is liquidating.
- e. The Outreach group had 3 lunches last month and will do one tomorrow.

Donna then read a letter from Fr. Brandon regarding the Lady of Guadalupe image in the Church, it is not being taken down; a new one will be purchased for the Chapel. The St. Vincent de Paul building is being taken down, but the Ministry will continue.

Donna reminded everyone to please remember to keep the lines of communication open with your alternate. She thanked the Youth and Young Adults Petal for the refreshments this evening. Mr. Dave O'Neill will give a presentation on the "SMART" Boards at next months' Parish Ministry Petal Meeting and we will discuss the Ministry Faire. The next meeting is on Thursday, May 5. Catholic Fellowship is to provide the refreshments for that meeting.

Donna then closed the meeting with everyone reciting the RENEW prayer.