Evangelization Committee Report – 01/2018

Women’s Outreach:

Walking with Purpose Bible study is on-going. Upon completion of the current series, this will probably continue on with a change in dates most likely Wednesday evening and Thursday morning to simplify setup and take down.

Men’s Outreach:

We are working towards the establishment of a subcommittee for this outreach to help determine and support the activities and programs we will use.

Parish Retreats:

Planning continues with the retreat talks scheduled for Lent, Easter and Pentecost. We have been having weekly conference calls with Father Cover to continue planning. An announcement was made by the celebrant at each Mass on 2/3-4 about the dates. A flyer was also placed in the pews. There will be another flyer inserted into the bulletin with the schedule and Father Cover’s biography.

The theme of the retreat is *Living as Missionary Disciples of Christ in the 21st Century*. Each retreat will be 90 minutes and offered on 3 separate occasions for Lent, Easter and Pentecost. The talks will be appropriate for those 16 years of age and older. We will also be sending out weekly messages to reflect on and maintain continuity between retreats. Our goal is to engage each person in *100 Days of Spiritual Formation, Transformation, and Proclamation* as we work towards understanding missionary discipleship, being transformed in God’s love and empowered to share the Good News with others.

The schedule is:

Lenten Retreat Schedule: What Do You Want? What Does God Want?

* Saturday, March 10th 5:00 PM Mass, 6:00 PM dinner, 6:45 PM start retreat
* Sunday March 11th 4:00 PM Evening Prayer, 4:30 PM start retreat
* Tuesday March 13th 10:00 AM, 7:00 PM start retreat

Easter Retreat Schedule: Jesus is Risen. So, what now?

* Saturday, April 21st 5:00 PM Mass, 6:00 PM dinner, 6:45 PM start retreat
* Sunday April 22nd (time to be determined)
* Tuesday April 24th (time to be determined)

Pentecost Retreat Schedule: Empowered by the Spirit to Share Christ’s love with Others.

* Saturday, May 19th 5:00 PM Mass, 6:00 PM dinner, 6:45 PM start retreat
* Sunday May 20th (time to be determined)
* Tuesday May 22nd (time to be determined)

Each member of the Evangelization Committee is writing up an article or paragraph on what being a missionary disciple is. We are seeking this from other in leadership, those who server and other engaged parishioners. Our goal is to publish these or snippets of them in the bulletin and other mediums. It would be desirable for each member of the Pastoral Council to also contribute in this effort since we are focusing on this.

Survey Results:

The survey results are still being compiled and analyzed.

Divorce Recovery Ministry:

A new program Journey of Hope is beginning February 5th at 7pm in room A115. This program differs from the *Surviving Divorce* DVD-Program By: Rose Sweet; *Journey of Hope* utilizes the DVD: *Voices of Hope*, and the Book: *Divorced. Catholic. Now What?* By: Lisa Duffy and Vince Frese. It is a Journey towards a Hopeful, Joyful, Abundant Single Again Life.