

The Board of Catholic Education of St Joseph Parish Minutes

**Wednesday January 10, 2018 @7:00 Lower Level Meeting Room**

**Meeting**

**Opening Prayer**

**Member present:** Father Gerald Reinersman, Sue Greis, Jill Stratman, Hannah Peters, Dustin Parks, Hollie Lusby, Kristine Willike, Linda Bricking, Father Trinity Knight, Steven Fischer, Brian Callahan, Chris VandeWater

**Members Excused:** Vicki Klocke, Derrick Reeder, Rick Wolf

**Approval of Minutes:** Hannah and Kristine

Pastor’s Report:

**Adult Faith opportunity**

- Lexio Divina from FORMED.org on Eucharist will be offered this spring. This is a 10 week series. We will offer 5 sessions before Palm Sunday and 5 sessions after Easter. One option will be to attend on Sundays at 10:45 – Noon. This is an experiment to see if more people find this a convenient time for adult faith formation. We will also offer the program on Monday evenings as in the past.
- A Women’s Cursillo is planned for April 5 – 8 at St. Anne Retreat Center. I am one of the team members of this Cursillo. If I had to name only one movement that has had a positive effect on individual Catholics and parishes, I would have to name the Cursillo movement. It involves a 3 ½ day retreat and formation of small groups afterward. These follow a simple format of prayer, study and action. One men’s group has been meeting every Friday at 7am for 28 years. I am hoping St. Joseph Parish participation in Cursillo will grow in 2018.
- The Mustard Seed Charismatic Community will present a one-day “Life in the Spirit Seminar” on Saturday, May 19 from 9am – 5pm.

**Upcoming Events**

First Reconciliation	January 11	
Bluejay Classic kicks off	January 12	
Confirmation retreat/Mass	January 22	during day/7pm
Catholic Schools Week	January 28 – February 3	students speak at Masses
School Open House	January 28	
Catholic Schools Mass	January 31	10 am at Cathedral
Family Promise Host	February 4 – 10	
Lenten Penance Service	March 5	7pm in Church

Administrator Report:

Preliminary draft of the Calendar is out. The main dates are start on 8/16/18 and end on 5/29/19.

Lego League is starting to take a bigger role in the school and is expanding.  
Catholic Educators retreat is taking place 1/11-1/12. Ms. Greis and a few teachers are attending.  
Catholic schools week is 1/28-2/3  
# Homework is starting and will give a place for kids to do homework after school at school.  
National School Choice week starts on 1/25.  
Junior High meetings are taking place every 4-6 weeks because this is a big turning point in their lives.

### Faculty Report:

Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> Grade are working on their typing skills.  
Grades 1 and 2 are working with Word.  
Music is getting the younger students to sing.  
Grades 3 and 4 are getting ready to perform parables for Jesus.  
PE is working with hands on with Bean Bags.

### Religious Education:

Classes resumed on 1/7.  
PSR mass will be 1/28.  
ACRE assessment will be for grades 5 and 8.  
They are also doing a service project for Family Promise.

### Committee Reports:

#### **Adult Faith**

##### ❖ **RCIA**

- **RCIC** – Our children's catechist, Ruth Saccone, prepared a mentally-challenged young woman for the sacraments of initiation. She was baptized and received first Eucharist at 5:00 Mass on Saturday, December 23 and will be confirmed at a later date TBD when she is ready.
- **RCIA** – Beginning preparations for Rite of Sending / Rite of Election; discernment interviews with catechumen and candidates are in progress.

##### ❖ **Adult Faith Formation**

- Planning has begun for our next AFF series: Lectio: Eucharist.
  - Fr. Reinersman and Fr. Knight will alternate weeks to present this series.
  - It is a 10-part series on FORMED.org and we will offer sessions 1-5 during Lent and 6-10 during the Easter season.

- This time we will offer the sessions on Sunday mornings at 10:45 – noon, following the 9:30 Mass. The priest who is the celebrant for 9:30 Mass will come down to the LL Meeting room to lead the session after Mass. There will also be a Monday evening session at 7pm.
- We will have a pre-registration to assist us with planning, but walk-ins will be welcome and we are hoping to get more of these by having “teaser” announcements at the 5:00, 8:00 and 9:30 Masses each weekend.
- We would like to offer babysitting in the Sunday preschool room during the Sunday morning sessions. I will be looking for adult volunteers to supervise high school and junior high students for this.
  - Due to the length of the AFF study series and in order to encourage attendance at those sessions, we have decided not to do a Lenten Evening of Reflection this year.
  - I would like to schedule a brief meeting with the AFF Committee soon to see in what ways they may be able to help with the Lectio: Eucharist series.

### **Special Events**

Open house is 1/28. Volunteers needed.

### **Finance**

Michael attended the November meeting and they were reviewing the annual report.

### **Marketing**

Open House plans were discussed to go along with brochures and yard signs.

### **Technology**

No Report

### **Parish Council**

No Report

### **Old Business**

Still working on the Mission Statement for School and BOE

### **New Business**

New Student Registration  
Open House

Catholic Schools Week

**Communication:**

The Faculty sent a nice thank you card for the dinner. Brian read some of it to us.

**Motion to Adjourn:** Brian and Hannah made motions to adjourn.

**Closing Prayer**

The next meeting is February 14th at 8:00PM back in the Lower Meeting room.