

Education Ministry Meeting Minutes – Mar 2020

Members – Council: Tonya Adams, Bertie Ninichuch

Clergy: Deacon Tony Russo, Deacon Tammy Fuqua

Laity/Community: none

Meeting Date: Sunday, 3/8/2020, 9:30 AM Gathering Room

Date of next meeting: Sunday, 4/5/2020 9:30 AM Gathering Room

Objectives: Provide Saint Matthew's members and surround communities opportunities to increase faith, knowledge, and awareness.

This objective is a work in progress. This is Tonya's latest attempt. The objective has not been discussed with the other members of the ministry.

Mission statement: Children's education and adult education mission statements coming soon. Mother Martha will provide the children's education mission statement and will work with Deacon Tony to create the adult education mission statement. The youth group worked on the mission statement at their meeting today.

The following is the mission statement for the Youth Group.

The Saints of Saint Matthew Youth Group is a ministry of youth, ages 13 to 18, gathered together in the unity of Christ. Through the love of God, prayer and use of our minds, hearts, and talents, we help our community, provide service to others, and have fun.

General comments: Today's meeting was cut short. Everyone except Tonya has a conflict with another ministry during the second Sunday of the month. The education ministry has decided to move the monthly meeting to the first Sunday of the month.

Adult Ed: Tony talked to Dr. Bill about the plan to have a monthly class between the 8:00 and 10:30 Mass. Dr. Bill thought this was a good idea and said he and Dr. Elenora will help out.

Tammy will attempt to schedule Adam Overton of Clergy & Laity United for Economic Justice (CLUE) to come and present for our monthly adult education mass. She also mentioned that she would talk to Leslie about rescheduling to discuss her book. Tonya mentioned that there may be other people in contact with Leslie that Tammy should coordinate with.

Not discussed during meeting: Tonya looked into the guidelines and cost of a subscription to have a monthly meetup event. The cost for a monthly subscription is \$23.99/mo. The cost of a six month subscription commitment is \$98.94 (\$16.49/mo).

Youth Group: The youth group has had 8 to 14 attendees a week for the past month. The group seems to be connecting and look forward to coming.

The youth discussed colors for the group and tee-shirt ideas and possible names for the youth group. At today's youth group meeting, another name was suggested for the youth group. After a vote, The Saints

of Saint Matthew Youth Group was the winner. Also, Tammy discussed possible Earth Day activities for the youth group, including beach cleanup and a recycling campaign.

The youth group had St. Matthew twenty-something years old visitors. This is important to make sure we keep our young adults involve and to make sure the youth group see that young adults are part of our church. Tonya hopes to continue this effort.

Children's Ed: The teachers meeting for the children's education is postponed until Mother Jetty's return.

Bertie continues to lead or be the second teacher at each class.