

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church

Parish Council

January 24, 2012

Barbara Cole & Anne Rodriguez

Altar Servers

Currently we have 18 trained Altar Servers with 1 additional Server in long-term training. Right now, all Masses appear to be covered, thanks to our very dedicated Servers who are willing to help wherever needed.

However, we continue to look for additional Servers to fill the void created when many members of our ministry return to the north.

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Date: January 18, 2012

Name of Coordinator: James Wilson

Name of Ministry/Committee/Group: EHMC

Accomplishments/Activities since last meeting:

New Coordinator (Jim Wilson). Jim has set up a database of all EMHC's with vital info. New format of schedules w/Team approach for each mass.

Future proposed activities/plans:

We are looking for ways to encourage people to become EMHC's for St. Vincent. Many were EMHC's at their home parish and need to be encouraged to help here.

Please use back of form for suggestions/questions/recommendations concerning your ministry/committee/group.

**FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM
REPORT TO THE PARISH COUNCIL
JANUARY 24, 2012**

1. OVERALL, OUR PARISH FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM CONTINUES TO GROW AND INCORPORATE MORE PARTICIPANTS IN MORE PROGRAMS.

- OUR CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM HAS TWENTY EIGHT CHILDREN REGISTERED. TWO SECOND GRADE CHILDREN BEGIN PREPARING FOR FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST COMMUNION THIS MONTH. FIRST COMMUNION WILL BE ON MAY 6. WE HAVE TWO CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES WHO WILL BE PREPARING OVER THE NEXT FOUR MONTHS TO BE CONFIRMED BY BISHOP NOONAN ON MAY 27 AT ST PAUL'S IN LEESBURG.

- ON DECEMBER 7 ALL OF OUR FAITH FORMATION FAMILIES ATTENDED THE 6:30 VIGIL MASS FOR THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION WITH ALL OF OUR CHILDREN PARTICIPATING IN SOME WAY INCLUDING SERVING, READING, PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL AND BRINGING UP THE GIFTS. A FAMILY SOCIAL WAS HELD AFTER MASS. VERY POSITIVE RESPONSE FROM PARISH AT LARGE.

- 17 WONDERFUL, EXPERIENCED AND DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS CONTINUE TO CATECHIZE OUR CHILDREN IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH NINTH. I HAD A VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION NIGHT IN NOVEMBER FOR THEM AND OUR WONDERFUL CHURCH STAFF WHO HAVE BEEN SO SUPPORTIVE AND PRESENTED EACH OF THEM WITH A SPECIAL GIFT TO SAY THANK YOU AND TO LET THEM KNOW HOW MUCH THEY MEAN TO ME AND OUR PARISH.

- OUR INTIATIVE THIS YEAR TO INCORPORATE A 15 MINUTE PRAYER EXPERIENCE IN THE CHURCH WITH BOTH CHILDREN AND THEIR PARENTS BEFORE THE CHILDREN GO TO THEIR CLASSROOM HAS BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL AND WELL ATTENDED BY PARENTS WITH THEIR CHILDREN.

2. FOUR BABIES WERE BAPTIZED BY FATHER PETER SINCE THE LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING.

3. RCIA: I AM CURRENTLY WORKING WITH 4 CANDIDATES IN VARYING STAGES. TWO WILL BE ACCEPTED INTO FULL COMMUNION WITH THE CATHOLIC CHURCH AT THE EASTER VIGIL. ONE WILL RETURN TO HER PARISH IN DELAWARE TO BE ACCEPTED. A FOURTH CANDIDATE IS JUST BEGINNING HIS PREPARATION AND A POSSIBLE CATECHUMEN IS IN THE WINGS.

5. OUR ADULT FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM CONTINUES TO GROW.

A. DEACON DANA CONTINUES TO CONDUCT BIBLE STUDY ON WEDNESDAYS IN THE MORNING AND EVENING.

B. IN JUNE WE BEGAN MAKING "THE WORD AMONG US" BOOKLETS WITH MASS READINGS AND DAILY MEDITATIONS AVAILABLE EACH MONTH. JUNE THROUGH SEPTEMBER WE HAD 75 ISSUES. SEPTEMBER THROUGH DECEMBER WE HAD 100 ISSUES AND IN JANUARY WE INCREASED TO 150 TO KEEP UP WITH DEMAND. WE ASK A ONE DOLLAR DONATION FOR EACH BOOKLET TO HELP US PAY FOR THE SUBSCRIPTION. DURING ADVENT, LENT AND EASTER WE ALSO MAKE ANOTHER BOOKLET AVAILABLE FROM "THE WORD AMONG US" CALLED "FIVE MINUTES WITH THE WORD". WE WILL HAVE 200 EACH DURING ADVENT AND EASTER AND 300 DURING LENT. ALL OF THE ADVENT BOOKLETS WERE GONE WITHIN A WEEK OF PUTTING THEM OUT.

C. LAST MONTH WE BEGAN MAKING LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA CD'S AND PAMPHLETS AVAILABLE IN THE VESTIBULE WITH A REQUESTED DONATION OF \$3 PER CD AND 50 CENTS PER PAMPHLET SO THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO REPLENISH OUR INVENTORY. OUR INITIAL INVESTMENT FOR THE KIOSK AND INVENTORY OF CD'S AND PAMPHLETS WAS ABOUT \$500 AND I HAVE MADE TWO SUBSEQUENT ORDERS. ANOTHER WILL BE MADE SOON. WE HAVE TAKEN IN OVER \$1,000 SO FAR WHICH ALLOWS US TO CONTINUE STOCKING THE KIOSK WITH PERTINENT CDs. THIS IS A CONVENIENT WAY TO LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR FAITH IN ADDITION TO ATTENDING CLASSES.

D. OUR SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES PROGRAM, COORDINATED BY CONNIE ACCURSO, CONTINUES TO GROW. WE HAVE INCREASED FROM TWO GROUPS LAST YEAR TO FOUR GROUPS AND RECENTLY TO SIX, WITH ONE OF THEM MEETING HERE AT THE CHURCH. ALL GROUPS MEET IN THE EVENINGS. WE ARE NOW EXPLORING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SEVENTH GROUP TO MEET DURING THE DAY. THE GROUPS NORMALLY MEET TWICE MONTHLY IN EACH OTHERS HOMES, EXCEPT FOR THE CHURCH GROUP, TO FOCUS ON THE UPCOMING SUNDAY READINGS AND EXPLORE PERSONAL FAITH JOURNEYS.

E. DEACON DAN PALLO COORDINATES OUR "CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME" PROGRAM. THE LAST ONE WAS HELD IN SIX SESSIONS IN NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER WITH FOUR PEOPLE IN ATTENDANCE. A NEW SERIES IS SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH.

6. I AM THE SVDP PARISH REPRESENTATIVE ON THE ST PAUL CATHOLIC SCHOOL BOARD. I CONTINUE TO ATTEND THE SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS MONTHLY. ST PAULS SCHOOL IS CELEBRATING ITS 50TH ANNIVERSARY THIS YEAR. IT RECENTLY PERFORMED WITH FLYING COLORS DURING ITS FCC ACCREDITATION VISIT WHICH WAS HELD 16-18 NOVEMBER. I ATTENDED THE DIOCESAN SCHOOL BOARD LEADERSHIP DAY FOR ALL LOCAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS IN ORLANDO IN SEPTEMBER. THE THEME WAS CATHOLIC IDENTITY AND OUR SCHOOLS. THE FEATURE PRESENTATION WAS BY MR HENRY FORTIER THE NEW DIOCESAN SECRETARY FOR FAITH FORMATION AND SUPERINTENDENT OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS.

7. I AM ALSO THE POINT OF CONTACT IN THE PARISH FOR VOCATIONS AND AS SUCH ATTENDED THE VOCATIONS WORKSHOP IN ORLANDO IN APRIL. WE DON'T HAVE MUCH OF A POOL FOR VOCATIONS, BUT WE CERTAINLY CAN BE DOING MORE TO PRAY FOR VOCATIONS AND I HOPE TO DO MORE WITH THAT IN THE FUTURE. SINCE SEPTEMBER I HAVE ATTENDED 3 VOCATION COMMITTEE MEETINGS AT ST THERESA IN BELLEVUE TO GAIN EXPERIENCE AND GUIDANCE FOR A FUTURE EFFORT TO START ONE HERE AT SVDP AND TO DETERMINE WAYS WE CAN COOPERATE WITH OTHER PARISHES IN THIS EFFORT.

8. I HAVE EXPANDED MY WEEKLY BULLETIN INPUT TO A FULL PAGE TO KEEP EVERYONE CURRENT ON WHAT IS AVAILABLE IN FAITH FORMATION EACH WEEK. ALTHOUGH SOME OF THE INFORMATION IS STATIC FROM WEEK TO WEEK, I ALSO INCLUDE CATECHESIS EACH WEEK IN THE FORM OF A "DID YOU KNOW" ITEM.

9. I CONTINUE TO MEET PERIODICALLY WITH OTHER CATECHETICAL LEADERS FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE IN BOTH DEANERY MEETINGS AND DIOCESAN PROFESSIONAL DAYS AND MEETINGS. THE FIRST WEEK IN JANUARY I ATTENDED THE FOUR DAY "FASHION ME A PEOPLE" CONFERENCE IN ORLANDO CONDUCTED BY THE CENTER FOR MINISTRY DEVELOPMENT. ITS FOCUS WAS ON LIFE LONG FAITH FORMATION. AT THE FIRST DIOCESAN CATECHETICAL LEADERS MEETING IN AUGUST WE WERE INTRODUCED TO MR HENRY FORTIER THE NEW DIOCESAN SECRETARY OF FAITH FORMATION AND SUPERINTENDANT OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Webber
Director of Faith Formation

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH
PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING REPORT FORM**

Date: January 24, 2012

Name of Coordinator: Gerald G. Haggerty, Grand Knight

Name of Ministry/Committee/Group: Knights of Columbus

Accomplishment/activities since last meeting:

1. Purchased 12 new folding tables for the parish
2. Purchased 1,000 New Liturgy Mass Prayer Response Cards for the parish.
3. Provided help with the Parish Fall Clean-up of the church landscaping.
4. Held a Membership drive and Information Dinner for those interested in joining the K of C in October
5. Provided staff to set-up and break down tables & chairs and clean up at the Parish Christmas Party in December
6. Made a Christmas donation of \$500.00 to the Food Pantry
7. Made a Christmas donation of \$500.00 to the Soup Kitchen
8. Hosted and managed a Youth Basketball Free Throw Tournament for the area youth at Wildwood Middle High School in January

Future proposed activities/plans:

1. Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser on January 28, 2012
2. Collection for Citizens with Mental Disabilities & parish Friendship Club in scheduled for March and April
3. Golf Tournament Fundraiser in April
4. Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser in April
5. Bunco for Babies Fundraiser for *Hands of Mercy Everywhere, Inc.* a Christian home for teenage mothers, in May

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Date: 1/23/12

Name of Coordinator: Dawn DiNome

Name of Ministry/Committee/Group: MUSIC

Accomplishment/activities since last meeting:

Dec. 16 2011 choir performed Christmas Concert.

Future proposed activities/plans:

Put in a request on 1/22/12 to hold a CD release concert in April for my CD. Proceeds would be split. Half would to Bldg Fund. waiting to hear approval/denial

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For the new church please have sound system in back. Set up currently is backward. I have to work the board from the front, but speakers face

If system is too loud/soft.
Also spacing for the choir.
Our choir is growing. we have
2 right now + the goal is to
condense into 1. we are
approximately 40 ppl right now.

Also, the sound board gets turned
on/off improperly by people during
the week + levels are moved
around. I don't know who uses
it, but if they could tell
me who they are, I could
show them how to use it
properly.

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Date: 1/20/12

Name of Coordinator: Sheila DUFFY

Name of Ministry/Committee/Group: OUTREACH MINISTRY

Accomplishment/activities since last meeting: *Sheila Duffy replaced Ruth Mayura in Nov. 2011 as President of the Outreach Ministry. Client numbers have grown from July to Dec 2011, serving 192 Clients vs 134 clients for the same period in 2010. Our clients have the most need for Electric Bills, followed by Rent, Water, Phone, Medical Needs and Gas. In 2012 we hope to meet the needs of an ever increasing clientele especially for Electric Bills that rise over the winter.*

Future proposed activities/plans: *Our Food Pantry continues to make a significant difference to the people of Wildwood, with special assortments for Christmas and Thanksgiving as well as co-ordinating the "Angel Tree" at Christmas for the children. From Oct. thru Dec the Food Pantry served 1,354 Adults, 1,142 Children and 177 Seniors in the Wildwood area.*

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Sheila Duffy

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Name of Coordinator: Mary Liddy

Name of committee/group: Our Mother's Attic Resale Shop

Accomplishments/activities since last meeting:

We have started off this last quarter very well. Our total sales for the month of Octo was \$16,071. The November total was \$17,302. The December total was \$13,846. The total for these three months was \$ 47,219.. The sales for the same time period last year was \$42,433. This is a difference of \$ 4,796. Compared to the same period of time last year are sales have increased with each month. However, the winter months are still the best time of the year for us.

We have been fortunate to pick up some volunteers through our request in the Church Bulletin.

We held an Appreciation Dinner for all of our volunteers and had a great time. This is the first time we tried a 50/50 raffle and it went over big. We collected \$245.00. We gave \$60.00 to each of our two winners. The shop kept \$125.00 which will be used to buy gift card which will be raffled off once a month.

Furture proposed activities/plans:

Try to find more storage space for the overflow of furniture etc for the shop..