

## Stewardship Minutes

Sept. 15, 2020

6:30 p.m. via Zoom

**Call to order:** 6:34 p.m. by John Stafford

**In attendance:** Russ Scott, Bob Gelina, Holly Carter, Bobby LeBlanc, John Stafford

- I. Reading and Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes – reading waived, motion to approve, R. Scott. Approved as submitted.
  
- II. Old Business
  - a. Assessing Needs of Parish Community
    - i. Report on Neighborhood Project – J. Stafford
      1. The data has been uploaded to ArcGIS Online ([www.arcgis.com](http://www.arcgis.com)).
    - ii. Ideas from group
      1. Maybe not a core Stewardship need, but an opportunity to build connections between the parish and the people that can be a framework for stewardship outreach.
      2. Neighborhood connections is a great starting point to identify people and needs. From a school perspective, we can look at equitable access and needs to support families in need
      3. Use the small groups or other parish groups
      4. Consider checking with Meals on Wheels and Heartland Senior Services. No easy way to identify parishioners.
  - b. Stewardship Sunday
    - i. Fr. Kyle recommends October 10/11. He also wishes to send a letter to parishioners in mid-October about stewardship. Brochure would accompany letter.
    - ii. Brochure input from bulletins and ministry teams to Bobby by 9/25
      1. Brochure will cover fiscal year July 2019 to June 2020, and the Pandemic Times March 2020 to present
      2. Bulletin and Ministry Research for brochure
        - a. John will check with ministry leaders for highlights
        - b. John will get sacrament numbers from Don Alexander
        - c. Jul-Sep 2019 bulletins – Russ
        - d. Oct-Dec 2019 bulletins – Holly
        - e. Jan-Mar 2020 bulletins - K 'Lynn
        - f. Bob Gelina will review e-bulletin archive for June-present
    - iii. John and Bob will contact Fr. Kyle about letter and video content. If needed, will coordinate with video production team (John Thielen and Alan Gaul)
    - iv. No commitment card will be used this year
  - c. Stewardship Education Opportunities
    - i. John will follow up with Fr. Kyle regarding International Catholic Stewardship Council Annual Meeting – Sep 28 – Oct 9
    - ii. Rose has volunteered to recommend a book or educational program for the committee which will enable personal development and stewardship learning

III. New Business

- a. Online giving campaign by LPI and WEShare – tabled for further discussion
  - i. John has received extensive material from archdiocese about recovering and growing giving.
  - ii. Committee should consider best next steps as part of long-term plan
  - iii. Should consider a motivational video/message from an STA parishioner regarding why they give electronically
  - iv. Need to recognize and address the need/desire to Witness giving
- b. Three-Year Plan – Preliminary brainstorm – tabled for future meeting
- c. Supporting Discernment of Gifts among parishioners – table for future meeting

IV. Next Meeting: October 20, 2020 6:30pm via Zoom

Adjourned 7:30 p.m. by John Stafford