

STA Stewardship Ministry Team
11-14-23 meeting

Able to attend:

K'Lynn Lynn, Bobby LeBlanc, John Stafford, Susan Yager and Mike Krapfl

Prayer:

John led the group in the STA Stewardship Prayer

Old Business:

Recap of Stewardship Weekend -- General agreement that it was a successful weekend. Thanks to Deacon Frank Montabon for a good homily -- especially for actually mentioning money and donating to the parish. There was a great response to the stewardship booklet and parishioners generally took them. There was a suggestion to include a stewardship recruiting message on the back cover, perhaps a "join-the-team" message with a list of the committee members.

Special note: 800 cookies is plenty.

New Business:

Parish Council meeting -- Bobby noted the council is considering increasing the parish tithe for Love Your Neighbor and other programs, bumping it from 5% to 7% due to increased need/demand in the community.

Discussion of article, "Is Passing the Offertory Basket Dead?" -- General discussion noting that students might not donate without a basket; a basket is also an opportunity for parents to help their children experience giving; the biggest donors to the parish sometimes only donate once a year.

Bobby noted that the parish is likely to keep passing the basket at Mass for the next few years.

Name Tag Sunday -- The next name tag weekend will correspond to the Feast of St. Thomas Aquinas and the next Knights of Columbus pancake breakfast on Jan. 27 and 28.

The group discussed ways to enhance the breakfast with a commemoration of St. Thomas Aquinas. Perhaps Tom Brumm can repeat his costume appearance as the saint? Maybe a trivia contest with prizes, perhaps "Tiny Saints" keychains and/or cups from the parish picnic and/or STA apparel from Campus Ministry.

Next meeting: No December meeting.

We'll go again on Jan. 16, 2024 6:30 p.m. via Google Meet.