

**Stewardship Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**for Wednesday, January 13, 2021 –6:30 pm via Zoom**

**Members:** Kathy Hurst, Jenny Jahnke, Fr. Carl, Deb Siebers, Patty Vande Voort

**Minute taker:** Deb Siebers

**Timekeeper:** Patty Vande Voort

**Prayer:** Fr. Carl

**Approval of 10/28/20 minutes:** motion Deb Siebers, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jenny Jahnke, Approved

**Ministry Guide** – Patty Vande Voort reported

126 returned, normal response as past years

Information entered into a spreadsheet and distributed to committees – pleased by offers to volunteer

Is there a need for a better way in another year?

**Virtual book study of “I Heard God Laugh” by Matthew Kelly**

The meaningful envelope in which the book was sent was noted to be meaningful and such mailing methods may be used again. The actual book was favorably commented upon. Also noted was that Matthew Kelly will be using this book in his daily “Best Advent Ever” emails, available free to anyone signing up online.

The study guide was found to lend itself to a 5-week study. Jenny Jahnke and Kathy Verstegen (perhaps Roy too) are willing to facilitate groups starting the week of February 21 and concluding the week of March 21. Based on previous Holy Spirit study groups (in particular Alpha) at least one other facilitator may be needed. The size of groups as well as offering times during the day and evening were discussed, plus Zoom/in person concerns were brought forth. Patty will contact others searching for a facilitator.

Sign up will conclude by February 8 and be conducted on Facebook, the website and in the bulletin.

**Possible Easter Book**

Fr Carl, prior to leaving the meeting in order to meet & pray with Confirmation students, reminded the committee that stewardship is about prayer, service and sharing. He posed some challenging questions which led to a lengthy discussion:

- What will stewardship look like in the Fall?
- What can be done to get more volunteers?
- How will Holy Spirit Parish look like when we open up? Will we be answering God’s call?
- How can this committee help our members answer the question, “How can I get involved?”
- Can this committee get into different groups to help them recognize what they are doing that is stewardship? Move them to stewardship?
- What activities and events can we generate & promote for training, helping, creating?

**Discussion:**

Possible goal that incorporates “experience the love of our Lord and each other”

Patty put together a mater calendar together of all activities to assess the stewardship already taking place

Recognize, promote, share, challenge, witness

Put together a Spirit type package for book club members and/or for Easter for all parishioners

Ideas: bookmark, socks, book, coffee/tea, chocolate

Hold a specific Welcome celebratory mass when church is able to reopen 100%

Connection for building relationships

**Ideas for Lent:**

Another Matthew Kelly book

An inspirational video that is accompanied by a Q & A session

Speaker, parishioner connections

Lenten Reflections book like done for Advent as was deemed very relatable

(Deb Siebers will contact Mary Pribbenow if this even possible yet this year)

At 7:40 Patty summarized

Ended with the Green Bay Diocese Stewardship Prayer

Next meeting: Wednesday, February 16 at 6:30 pm via Zoom