

Faith Formation Committee Meeting October 26, 2008

Present: Al Clowser, Doug Fackelman, Eileen Beuler Absent: Jennifer Osterholzer

-Meeting began with prayer.

-Eileen announced she was stepping down as chair of the committee. Al & Doug agreed to co-chair the committee.

-Discussion began around Adult Education topics in January-April. Since the Summer book club discussion was canceled due to weather it is being rescheduled for Jan 4th. The Advent Book club book will be on the Mass and the Lenten selection will be on St Paul as this is the Year of Paul.

-Other suggested topics being covered will be Theology of the Body, the Bible, St. Paul, Comparative Religion especially Mormonism, Islam and 7th Day Adventists, A class for parents on talking to their kids about Sex from a faith standpoint. Eileen is going to look for speakers for Bible (Lori Waugh was suggested) and Comparative Religions(seek suggestions from Benet Hill, Fr Jim, Deacon Dave, Beverly Martin at the Diocese), Theology of the Body(Christopher West DVDs) We have a few dates open if another Core Committee would like to present. Eileen will notify these teams of the dates: April 5 and April 26.

-It was also suggested that we do the Adult sessions in another place besides the gym due to traffic & noise. The Choir Music Room is not available and Hope House is used sometimes and is also away from the church. Eileen is looking to see if the Library can be used.

-We discussed showing the movie "Fireproof your Marriage" free in the church in February for couples with babysitting in the gym since marriage ministry is under FFC. Eileen had explored this already with the Marriage team who thought it was a good idea after they went to preview the movie. Eileen is looking for a few couples to lead this event & help advertise it in the parish. Babysitting- If we cannot find HT youth to help out with service hours it was suggested that maybe we could get some St Mary's students who need hours to help. Eileen will check with Mary McLean about safe environment requirements. We are also looking at the possibilities in the future to offer a "Date Night" where parents could do things at church w/babysitting or provide babysitting for a few hours so they could go on a "real" date without kids.

-Ended Meeting with Prayer