

Discipleship Committee Minutes of February 1, 2024

Members in attendance: Dan Delforge, Jerry Berg, Jackie Goral, Barbara Rueckl, Deb Wegner-Hohensee, Mary Jo Short

Meeting was called to order at 6:32 P.M. by Committee Chair, Jackie Goral. She led the opening prayer.

Item 1 – Notetakers for the committee are needed. Perhaps we could do this on a rotating basis.

Item 2 – Women’s Retreat Update – Mary Prickette could not attend. Deb gave the report. Sr. Laura is our speaker for the morning. Her address will include making space for Jesus during Lent and focus on the gospels for Lent. There will be three sessions each 45 minutes. Round tables will be placed in the gathering space.

Item 3 – Advent Adoration Evening Recap – 40 people were in attendance. The reaction was very positive. The general consensus was to plan again for the coming liturgical calendar.

Item 4 – All-Committee Workshop Recap – Attendance was more than expected. Guest speaker, Kristin Bird did a wonderful job of delving into discipleship and how it relates to a parish such as POP. Suggestions: Bring her in and invite the entire parish...perhaps next year. The committee will discuss more during up-coming meetings.

Item 5 – Alpha Update (Barb) – Barb has scheduled a meeting with Sheri Abbs (pastor of Green Bay Community Church). The meeting will be a give-and-take of the successes and need of revisions for up-coming sessions. Barb will give a report at the next Discipleship meeting.

Item 6 – Eucharistic Revival – Mary Jo updated the committee on the route of the Revival, the part of the Dioceses, the plans for the Shrine of Champion and the journey to Indiana (the final destination by July 17, 2024). She was a bit frustrated on the information available. The members suggested she contact the radio stations involved, the Shrine personnel (Mary Dollar) and the Diocesan office.

Item 7 – Jackie Goral gave a synopsis of the Parish Council Meeting. For further details please see the Council minutes.

Item 8 – Potential Ideas:

- A. Breaking Open the Sunday Scripture – Jerry Berg will be very flexible in starting and stopping this at POP as time and space is available. Deb has received requests to begin as soon as possible.
- B. Other suggestions including Bible study, retreats and small group focus.

Item 9 – Stations of the Cross will be Thursdays (2/15, 2/22, 2/29, 3/7, 3/21 and 3/29) at 6:00 P.M. The Deacons will rotate. The evening will be started by Benediction and followed by the Stations. Good Friday the “Stations of Mary” will be presented. March 14th is the Parish Penance Service.

The next meeting will be Thursday, March 7, 2024.

Closing prayer at 8:02 P.M.

Barbara Rueckl,
Recording Secretary