

# FAITH FORMATION MEETING – APRIL 8, 2019

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## Attending:

Nan Bush, Chairman, Father TJ, Debbie Evans and Deborah Miller

Opening Prayer: Psalm 20 1-4: Prayer for Victory – A Psalm of David

1 May the LORD answer you in the day of trouble! May the name of the God of Jacob protect you! 2 May he send you help from the sanctuary and give you support from Zion! 3 May he remember all your offerings and regard with favor your burnt sacrifices! Selah 4 May he grant you your heart's desire and fulfill all your plans!

We did not have a quorum, so these are not official minutes but rather notes from our discussion

## Reports

### 1. Children/Youth

- a. Discussed whether we will have an Easter celebration for children. Nan will contact individuals involved in this Ministry from last year.

### 2. Adult Education

- a. The “Way of Love” series will reconvene after Easter and the Bishop’s visit. Father T.J. Noted that attendance had decreased. While the small group discussion may be an issue, there are others that have found it wonderful to share and take part in the series. It was noted that the venue is a bit cumbersome for small group discussions, i.e., individuals cannot face each other easily.
- b. There will be a hiatus during the Summer months for planning Adult Education for the Fall
- c. Classes:
  - i. Bible 101 — suspended until Mother Lowe returns from medical leave.
  - ii. Bible Study — continues discussion of Revelation – plan is to finish by the end of May
  - iii. Classes will be on hiatus over the summer
  - iv. Confirmation Classes – continue and reports are that those attending are very pleased

**d. EFM**

- i. Deacon Sally is signed up for training
- ii. Bill Wheeler is first on the waiting list for training.
- iii. Number of individuals wishing to sign-up for course is still to be determined.

**3. Labyrinth**

- a. Debbie Evans has training April 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>
- b. World Labyrinth Day is May 4 — Debbie will coordinate a walk at 1:00 p.m. with advertisement in State Port Pilot.
- c. June 21<sup>st</sup> is the Summer Solstice and Debbie and Deacon Sally are working to have the same or similar program as last year.

**4. Library**

- a. At last month's meeting it was recommended that the Library be moved to the Parish Hall. After further discussion, this has been tabled until building/remodeling plans have been approved.
- b. Deborah will work on cataloging the collection working from the Master Alphabetic List.
- c. Book Club – the group discussed the possibility of forming a Book Club. Deborah will look into further; contacting Father Eric to determine how his former Parish handled their Book Club. If we would go forward with this educational format, it would be started in the Fall.
- d. Minutes Approval – as we need to approve our Minutes prior to the monthly Vestry Meeting, members of the Faith Formation Board will be given two days to weigh in; if they do not weigh in it will be considered a silent approval. Notice of this procedure will be conveyed at the time the Minutes are forwarded.

• **Stewardship**

- Don Halbert, Father Eric and Nan had a meeting with the upshot being that Faith Formation is not expected to do anything until Finance consults with the Stewardship Strategic Team and Vestry.

• **Next Meeting — 13<sup>th</sup> of May – 4:00 p.m. Parish Hall**