

MINUTES  
STEWARDSHIP COMMISSION  
April 8, 2019

Members Present: Alice Conway, Jim Fann, Scott Long, Ellen Moran, Paul Steube, Jim Zenner

Also Present: Fr. Tom French

The meeting was convened by Paul Steube at approximately 6:10 pm.

Spiritual Gifts Inventory (SGI): Ellen Moran gave an update about the SGI. Susy Masterson recently mailed a letter from Fr. Tom French to parishioners, who completed the SGI seminar last fall. We now are ready to make follow-up telephone calls to them in order to learn their perspectives. We have a SGI Phone Conversation Script available to guide us during these calls. Callers should write down findings from their conversations. Michelle Willer is helping us place the SGI survey online. She is working with Jane Guenther from the Archdiocese. We need to decide how best to give results to survey takers; Jane would like for there to be a meeting. Going forward, we would like to collaborate with the Faith Formation Commission for the SGI.

Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA): Paul Steube is again Parish ACA chair. He has a timeline of events, which start after Easter. Our Parish Formula Goal is \$224, 290; our Challenge Goal is \$244,844 (amount raised last year); our New Donor Goal is 48. We have a very generous parish.

Roman Catholic Foundation: Jim Zenner led a discussion about three areas/levels of financials for the parish, which are current operating budget, capital expenditures and endowment. Fr. Tom was in attendance. Current operating budget should be the primary focus of our parish. Capital expenditures are next in importance. There is a valid need for additional money to support our capital campaign, which has a significant dollar shortfall. We cannot divert money from the current operating budget. Endowment funding provides an opportunity to plan for and support the future needs of our parish. However, given the needs to solidify our current operating budget and to add monies to the capital campaign, now is not the time to promote endowment funding. Fr. Tom was in agreement. We will notify the Roman Catholic Foundation to wait at least a year before following up with us for our consideration of their services.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul L. Steube  
Chair