## PARISH MINISTRY PETAL MEETING FEBRUARY 7, 2013

Donna started by welcoming everyone to the meeting.

Fr. Brandon started the meeting with prayer and then we all recited the St. Anne's Parish Ministry Petals Prayer together.

We watched a short video about Lent by Fr. Robert Barron. Fr. Barron said that there are three things that we should do for Lent: (1) Pray, (2) Fast, and (3) Give Alms.

#### **Affirmations:**

- (a) Rita Ban announced that Esther Roche will be giving a piano concert at Hutchins Street Square on February 17 at 3pm. Esther is our 10:30am Sunday Mass pianist.
- **(b)** Anita Oaxaca affirmed Fr. Brandon and Margaret Shore for the Adult Faith Formation classes "I am learning lots!" Fr. Brandon replied "That's all Margaret!"
- **(c)** Jackie Rusk affirmed the School's Open House . She said that it was nice to invite the other Parishes and "the Church was packed!"
- (d) Carmen Musch affirmed the St. Anne's School Crab Feed "delicious".
- **(e)** Donna Dominguez (for Lydia Van Steyn) affirmed all the people who attended the Walk for Life in San Francisco and those who participated in prayer.
- **(f)** Marie Grady affirmed Cami Ferry and the different groups who participated in the Daughters of Isabella Dance-A-Thon. Marie said "we need more people!"
- **(g)** Lourdes Sanchez affirmed Tony Moreno for all the time that he dedicates to the Teens.

Fr. Brandon thanked everyone for noticing all those who make a difference in the Parish and he also thanked everyone who was present for "making your Ministry a priority in your life."

# Pastor's Report: Fr. Brandon Ware

Regarding the Plaza Update, Fr. Brandon said that there will be a City Council Meeting on March 6 at 7pm. He asked that we please go to the meeting to support the petition, and he said that he hopes to be moving forward.

Fr. Brandon reported that they had received a good number of applicants for the Music Director position. They have narrowed it down to four candidates and hopefully we will have someone in place soon.

Fr. Brandon reported that Esther Vargas has stepped down from her position as the Communications Assistant as she wanted to explore other areas in her major. Mrs. Patty Herrera is helping Donna with the website and the bulletin. Fr. Brandon said that he is grateful to Patty's husband, Juan, and to their children for sharing her with us!

Fr. Brandon reported that next week is Ash Wednesday and the Church doors will close once the Church reaches its capacity. This is for the safety of those attending the services, and we have to be in compliance of city ordinances and fire codes. We have scheduled the Masses hoping that we will be able to clear out the Church before the next group comes in.

## Petal Business: Donna Dominguez

Donna reported that there is a new ministry - the St. Anne's Movie Ministry (SAMM). She introduced Armando Moreno, Sr. who will be the Petal Representative for this Ministry. The St. Anne's Movie Ministry shows faith-based movies every third Sunday of the month at 3:30pm in Dominican Hall. Popcorn is provided free of charge. Mr. Moreno said that if anyone has any ideas on how to get more people to come, to please let him know.

Donna then went over the bulletin submission schedule. She let everyone know that she has made a Bulletin Submission Form that is available on line should you want to use it.

Donna then reported that the Bishop's visit to the Parish is done and he will be meeting with the Ministry Team on Tuesday, February 19 at 10:30am.

Donna announced that the Ministry Petal Presentations will start again with the St. Anne's School Petal the weekend of March 19 and 20.

Donna then went over the Announcements and Approved Handouts for this evening's meeting: the Daughters of Isabella will host a Day of Reflection on Saturday, February 9th, the Adult Faith Formation will begin their Lenten Longings the week of February 10th, A Day of Reflection for the Adorers of the Blessed Sacrament on February 15th, the St. Anne's Valentine Dinner and Dance on Saturday, February 16th, the Taize Prayer Service on Monday, February 25th, and the Taco Dinner, sponsored by the Mexican-American Catholic Federation as a fundraiser for the Confirmation Retreat, will be held on March 9th.

Donna announced that she had been asked "How do I get an event announced at Mass?" Donna said that it should be noted on the bulletin form when you fill it out. She let everyone know that because of space issues, this is on a first come, first served basis.

Petal (small group) discussion.

## **Liturgy Petal**

Those in attendance Joan Cahil, Pati Mckinstry, Pricilla McMillen, Carmen Musch, Ofelia Geigle, Jesus Herrera, Rita Ban, Belle Reynolds.

In a message from Fr. Bill, he asked that the group discuss the preparations for Ash Wednesday to be sure all was ready. Everyone present reported things are ready. There was no one representing ushers or altar servers.

Carmen was asked to read then discuss a narrative from Ofelia and Rosa regarding further Theology training for the Spanish speaking Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors. It is felt that the meaning of the ministry has been forgotten and everyone needs a reminder. A copy is attached. It was felt that even though the issues for the English speaking are not the same, it might be a good idea to have the ministers meet for a refresher as to the meaning and procedures. Jesus asked that the music ministers also be a part on the training. Since Fr. Bill and Fr. Mario were not present, nothing was decided. This should be presented to the Ministry Team for discussion and decision.

Carmen brought up that we have a very busy parish with many choices for furthering our Lenten reflections and that ministers need to take advantage of the opportunities.

Rita reported that the choir is inviting members of all choirs to join the Good Friday and Easter Vigil services.

There will be another Liturgy meeting at Carmen's on 2/19/13 at 6:30pm to finalize the Holy Week plans.

<u>Issues to Ministry Team</u>: See attached proposal from Rosa Trevizo regarding "Evangelization teaching" once a month for the Spanish Ministers of HC, Lectors and Music Ministers with FR. Mario.

Many Spanish Lectors and Ministers of Holy Communion are coming to me asking if we can have an Evangelization teaching for them. Certain concerns that aroused were that some have perhaps forgotten the essence and the honor that it is to be called to serve the Lord. Also, the fact that when some are scheduled to serve they are neither looking for a substitute nor notifying that they will not be able to attend when scheduled to serve in their ministry.

It is sad to see that this happens, however, I am grateful that at least we have identified the problem and we can do something about it. Ms. Geigle and I have spoken in length about it and approached Fr. Mario to give us his feedback and also to ask him if he would be able to help us with these teachings. He has agreed to do so. I consulted with Fr. Bill and Fr. Brandon and was advised to present this for approval.

I would like to ask for permission to have Fr. Mario sit with the group once a month and do these teachings. Personally, I feel that we must revitalize and rekindle the fire that we all once felt when we were first called to serve our Lord. And I do believe that Fr. Mario has the gift to do just that and more.

Currently, we have a meeting the group every two months to discuss and convey what has been learned at the Petal Committee meetings. This would change to: Gathering once a month, the first 45 minutes will be Fr. Mario's Evangelization teachings and the next 15 minutes will be to convey what has been collected at the Petal meetings.

## **Social Justice Petal**

Prison Ministry - reported by Jerre Murphy - Jerre is not always available for Thursday night petal meetings, as that is the time he usually goes to the Youth Authority to work with youth and young adults who are incarcerated. The ministry is Christian-based. They are always in need of volunteers. The ministry has lost a few due to illness and moving away. Two new volunteers, Robert Herrera and Glen Lewis are being trained. Once training is complete and they receive their card, they can go to any prison to support and mentor the inmates.

Pastoral Care and Parish Nurse - report by Melitta Healy - Lodi Health (formerly Lodi Memorial Hospital) has a new Prayer Volunteer Notification form for all patients to better serve their religious and spiritual needs. If the patient indicates that they want spiritual direction, communion, anoiting, etc. St Anne's church office will be called and a message will be left with staff. It would also be helpful to know if a priest has visited and anoited. We are in need of volunteers. Deborah McCloskey has resigned due to health issues.

Bereavement Outreach - Sr Sharon Mello reported they is a great demand for taking communion to the homebound. These are parishoners unable to come to mass for health or age issues. She also needs to know of anyone that is homebound and would like to receive communion.

Community Outreach - Jeanne Hanson reported that the Red Cross is in contact with St. Annes's regarding St. Anne's being declared a disaster shelter. I understand forms to be filled out and returned to the Red Cross, have been received. No meeting at Salvation Army in January, nothing to report. Salvation Army is having annual dinner on March 11th, 2013. Loel Center Lunch program served 1,217 meals to seniors in December, 15,767 meals for the year. This is an awesome program for our community seniors with a cost of only \$2.00 per meal. St Vincent de Paul received \$5002.00 from 5th Sunday collection end of December. Thank you parishioners for your genorosity that allows us to keep ministering to the needy in our community. Our collection weekend of Jan. 26th & 27th was a very poor return. We asked for shoes and socks. We received appoximately 30 pair of socks and two pairs of shoes. In a parish this size, this is sad. A new receptical has been put in the vestibule of the chuch for the reception of items to donate for the monthly collection. This month's collection is for transportation needs. Please provide Bus passes,

Dial-A-Ride or monetary donations to be used for those that do not have means of transportation to appointments, doctors, clinics etc.

Annie's Angels - Robin Pecissi with Annie's Angels will be serving dinner at Hope Harbor on Ash Wednesday.

Legion of Mary - Raquel Paler reported that Legion of Mary needs to recruit new members

Fr. Mario Guarin reported, he was able to assist the family who came to him last month. He directed them to St. Vincent de Paul and Salvation Army. These organizations gave monetary funds towards rent and utilities. He inquired what to do about a single mother with children, who is an illegal immigrant. He wanted to know how to help? The group suggested Catholic Charities. He noted also, he will be gone for one month visiting with his family.

# Catholic Fellowship Petal Minutes St. Anne's School Petal Minutes

Knights of Columbus on Feb 16 dinner/dance, see flier. March 16 Bishops dinner corned beef and cabbage dinner/dance.

MACF taco dinner to help religious Ed, see flier. College Scholarship information will be going out soon for High School Seniors that are Catholic in our diocese.

Daughters of Isabella Day of reflection, see flier. Scholarship deadline just passed for 8th grade students in our parish to apply for an opportunity receive money towards the registration fee at St. Mary's. April 27 their annual tea party is coming up.

Seniors monthly luncheon is 4th Tuesday of month and they usually have a speaker.

YLI this Saturday is the district deputy meeting at Scooters. March 3 at 8:30 am Mass is the YLI Mass with breakfast after. On June 30 they will be hosting bunco in the hall with a light lunch.

Movie ministry will be showing "Mighty Max" on Feb 17th. This is a family friendly event that

starts at 3:30 pm. On March 17th, the movie will "Passion of the Christ". There is no charge for admission or snacks, and is held in Dominican Hall.

Teams of Our Lady - some married couples will be attending the annual retreat.

St Anne's school - is open for registration for the following school year. The spaghetti dinner is coming up on March 12th to benefit the 6th grade science camp. Will be praying the rosary at the Stations of the Cross throughout lent on Friday afternoons at 2:15.

To ministry team- NOTHING

## **Faith Formation Petal Minutes**

## VISITATION AND ADORATION

Morning of Reflection – February 15th – 8:00 am to 11:30 am

Invitations have been sent electronically and by mail to those without internet inviting Adorers to attend our second Morning of Reflection. We will attend Mass at 8:00 am, a continental Breakfast in the Youth Room will follow which is being provided by the Adoration Team. At 9:30 we will attend Benediction & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel. From 10:00 am to 11:30 am there will be a DVD teaching and reflection within small groups. The DVD is the Feast of Faith, The transforming Power of the Eucharist by Mardcellino D'Ambrosio, Ph.D. No bag lunch this time.

We have been working on updating the Roster of Adorers and ON CALL Adorers. We continue to look for Adorers as some people have asked to leave. We have incorporated a sign up sheet in the Bulletin for the time during Lent hoping people will want to spend time with Our Lord as a Lenten preparation for Easter. We need sign ups for:

Tuesday: 2 to 3

4 to 5

Wednesday: 2 to 3

Thursday: 11 to 12

11:30 to 12:30 3:00 to 4:00

Friday: 10:30 to 11:30

11:30 to 12:30

12 to 1:00 No Rosary

Annette is stepping down as the Petal Rep for the group. Debbie Duquette will be the new Petal Rep for Visitation and Adoration.

## ST. ANNE'S ROSARY MAKERS REPORT

## **Completed Projects:**

- o 50 cord rosaries for Walk For Life, St. Joachim's
- 4 wire rosaries for St. Anne's Office
- 6 bracelet wire rosaries and 1 wire rosary for convalescent patients
- o 14 cord rosaries for 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Religious Ed class.

# **Current Projects:**

- o 1st Holy Communion wire rosaries for St. Anne's students 50% complete
- 150 Confirmation cord rosaries for Religious Ed students 60% complete
- 180 mission cord rosaries for Veterans' Hospital in Florida 95% complete
- o 100 cord rosaries for Liturgy Petal Spanish Ushers 10% complete
- o 80 cord rosaries for Lodi convalescent hospitals---Sole project of 8<sup>th</sup> grade St. Anne's School student who is also a Rosary Maker.

### **Scheduled Classes:**

St. Anne's School 8th grade students scheduled for rosary making workshops, beginning February 14th. **Project: 1 decade wire rosary for Mother's Day.** 

Lydia Ulricksen, Petal Rep.

#### **Small Christian Communities**

Lenten Longings Faith Sharing begins the week of February 10<sup>th</sup>. There are 5 Spanish communities and 16 English communities. Booklets have not yet arrived but should be here by Monday. If they do not arrive in time, copies of the first session will be made for the communities to use.

#### **Estudios Biblicos**

No report

**Groupo Carismatico De Oracion: El Alfarero** 

We had our Women's Congress in Spanish on January 26 at 27<sup>th</sup> at St. Joseph's Church in Modesto from 8am-6pm. It was great. Our prayer group was in charge of selling the food tickets. About 500 ladies were there, full capacity of the hall. We will be having an Encounter for Men on March 16-17<sup>th</sup> and would like to have permission to announce it, put flyers in the bulletin if possible.

Also wanted to thank the Rosary Makers for the Rosaries for the Walk for Life.

#### Seeds of Faith

Seeds continues to meet on the second Thursday of the Month for Meditation and Adoration in the Chapel at 6:45 followed by their Study Topic: "Fire Within"; however the meeting scheduled in February has been cancelled due to Valentine's Day, but will resume on the second Thursday in March.

# **Religious Education**

They will be attending the LA Religious Education Congress Feb 22-24 so there will not be any RE classes on those days.

## Flower (large group) discussion.

We watched a short video about Lent by Fr. Robert Barron. Fr. Barron said that there are three things that we should do for Lent: (1) Pray, (2) Fast, and (3) Give Alms. Donna said that she would email us the link for the video that we watched this evening.

#### **Final Announcements:**

Donna reminded everyone to be sure to share the news you heard today. She thanked the Liturgy Petal for bringing the refreshments today. The next meeting will be on Thursday, March 7th and the Social Justice Petal will be responsible for the refreshments that evening.

Fr. Brandon thanked everyone for coming. He reminded everyone here that they are here to help us get this information to 12,000 people in the Parish - he is depending on you!

Fr. Brandon then ended the meeting with a prayer and then we all prayed the Our Father together.