

# Format for Committee Reports

## St. John Vianney Parish

Name of Committee: Stewardship

Date of Meeting: August 5, 2015

Members Present : Duane McAllister, Joan Sturm, Diane Bennett, Frank DeGuire, Glenn Pentler, Robb Lied, Mark Czarnecki, Rob Mitchell, Karen Coon

### 1. Topics/Issues/Projects/Strategic Plan Initiatives Discussed

1. Opening Prayer & Discussion – Which is the most difficult to achieve of the three stewardship pillars – time, talent or treasure? Work of our committee is to focus on how to alleviate the hurdles to participation in prayer and volunteering, along with the treasure.
2. International Stewardship Conference, October 22 – 25, 2015 – Robb Lied, Rob Mitchell & Karen Coon to attend
3. Update on Capital Campaign and report from Steier group; requested a proxy vote from Pastoral Council to move forward with the next step in a capital campaign; start process of combining the capital ask with the Cure d’Ars and the annual Stewardship appeal so there is only one ask for all; will be later than the usual school annual fund drive, but earlier than our usual stewardship drive
  - a. Need decisions on when and what we do for Time & Talent renewal if we do the Treasure renewal in the fall with the other campaigns;
  - b. Consider best way to place increased emphasis on advertising the committee options and nomination process. Need to provide more detailed information on what is involved with participation in each committee with the goal of increasing participation in the discernment process
4. Financial Update – budgeted 2.36 million in stewardship, about 93,000 short of budget; received \$12,500.00 in matching donations from companies who support that effort; Overall, parish came in under budget with expenses, ended about even with income, didn’t have to draw on reserves; modified budgeted stewardship for the next fiscal year to reflect that 2014/2015 fiscal year budgeted amount was not collected
5. Assign “Let’s Live Like That” bulletin messages for balance of 2015 to members of the Stewardship Committee
6. Next steps for continuing and supporting 10 minute prayer process and commitment effort
  - a. 480 parishioners made the 10 minute prayer commitment
  - b. What and how do we engage with the 480 people on a continuous basis and encourage a 2 way communication; is there a social media aspect that we can add to increase participation
  - c. Issues to consider for next month
    - i. How to engage the school and Christian Formation in the prayer process; students and families
    - ii. Propose a post card mailing of thanks and encouragement to those who made the commitment, with a request to comment on their experience in participating in the prayer process
    - iii. What can be done to relay to others in parish the commitment made by these people and increase interest in what they are doing, thereby increasing participation in the prayer campaign – suggestion of posters to be placed in Narthex reflecting participation and goal of prayer time
7. 2015-2016 Stewardship Meeting Schedule – will need to schedule additional meetings as we ascertain what will be our involvement in the combined stewardship/capital campaign

**2. Decisions Made**

**3. Follow-up Work – Person (s) Responsible**

- Prayer project – Duane to suggest post cards of thanks to those who committed and poster idea to Father Ken for approval – will report back to Robb for follow up

**4. Next Meeting: Date/Major Agenda Items)**

Common Leadership Night, September 14, 2015 @ 6:30 p.m. in the Church

**To: Pastoral Council**

- FYI. No action needed at this time**