

Ss. Bruno and Paul Joint Meeting
June 5, 2017
6:30 PM
St. Paul's Family Room

FF Definition: St. Bruno and St. Paul Faith Formation spans the entire life cycle, exhibits high standards of excellence, and helps parishioners encounter Christ through education, outreach, and support.

(Courtesy of the Faith Formation Strategic Planning Group FF6)

Faith Formation Committee Goals for 2016/17:

1. Increase membership in the Faith Formation Committee
2. Develop and implement the role and number of volunteers in Faith Formation programs by Feb. 2017
3. Evaluate and identify parish mission opportunities in 2017-18 by December 2016. Request budget early 2017.

Members Present: Karen Farrell, Mary Kral, Amy Golden, Bill Snyder, Cindy Beauchamp, Lisa Bixby, Scott Vandenhouten, Marya McGrath, Jean Warren

Prayer – “Our Father”

The meeting opened with a short video from Father Mike Schmitz on “Belonging and Baptism.” His message was the parents of the infant being baptized have to be made to feel they “really belong” to the parish, in order for them (and their children) to be active Christians. We then had an open discussion on the why and how of getting people to feel they “belong” – in our case, in a parish.

We then viewed a TED video by Simon Sinek titled “How Great Leaders Inspire Action.” First he gave a model of the “why – how & what” - factors we meet in convincing people. He exemplified we need to emphasize the “why” – the emotional part, not the what – the product or outcome. This was quite inspirational to us, and we shared many ideas of implications and applications. More discussions will take place in the future!

Pastoral Council – (Cindy & Scott)

Cindy reported St. Paul's is working on a new mission statement. Discerned one new member to Pastoral Council.

Scott explained St. Bruno's had discernment for three positions, including his own. We will sadly miss him, but strongly encouraged him to become a Faith Formation committee member and join our team. We truly thank Scott for his service to our committee and parishes.

Child Ministry – (Karen & Amy)

Vacation Bible School – cancelled

Amy – waiting on classroom approval for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (grades K-1)

Karen – importance of belonging & looking for ways to foster in our family program (Adult portion). This concern was addressed in our opening video's and discussions. More discussion to follow!

Need more catechists!

Youth Ministry – (Bill)

Confirmation – done! Next year Confirmation retreat will be expanded to 2 nights.

The freshman & sophomore treats will be combined – students will have a choice on which one to attend (could attend both years.)

On to mission trip, July & Stuebenville

Also need more catechists!

Adult Ministry - (Mary)

Launch parish wide *Alpha* program. This is a basic look at faith – not Catholic, but Christian. Why: to get people to talk about their faith. Mary and FF staff are working with Peggy Kolonko and Joe Senglaub and will launch it this fall. Mary is currently attending an *Alpha* program in Hales Corners.

Mary wants to continue discussions at our committee meetings on items that impact what we do in our parish and community.

General –

Committee membership – all current members, except Scott and possibly Cindy (Pastoral reps) will continue on the committee. Jean agreed to continue as Chairperson.

<u>Calendar for next year:</u>	Aug 7 at SP	Jan. 8 at SB
	Sept. 11 at SB	Feb. 5 at SP
	Oct. 2 at SP	March 5 at SB
	Nov. 6 at SB	April 9 at SP (Easter is Apr. 1)
	Dec. 4 at SP	May 7 at SB

The need to meet will be determined before each meeting.

Next Meeting:

Aug. 7, 2017 at St. Paul's

Respectfully submitted by Jean Warren