

Two-Minute Report



The Monthly Leadership Night was held on **Monday, March 31**. A summary of each commission's accomplishments and upcoming events are described in the following **"Two-Minute Report"**...

Education/Faith Formation Commission...

- SPRED will confirm 2 young men receiving reconciliation at the 12:00 mass on 4/19.
- Open School Board meeting is April 27 @ 7pm. Submit questions in advance (by 4/20) to Lenore Barnes. The board will be looking to fill 3 positions; elections will be held the weekend of 5/16-17. Contact Dee McNamara 445-0355, Megan Doherty 238-7880, or Andy Styczynski 239-2878.
- First Communion is May 2 and May 3rd.
- Adult Faith, in reviewing the Lenten speakers, will be looking to a new format for next year to increase participation.
- Colleen Doherty has agreed to be a legislative action person for St. Barnabas and Mary Maroney will replace Mary Zeronas on the commission.

Administration Commission...

- Don't be left out...all parishioner families are encouraged to participate in the pictorial directory by signing up for a family portrait – ether after mass or online. Look for the 2009-2010 names and address directory as it will be in mail boxes by 5/1.
- Want to know how you can help? Communications is looking for **"a few good volunteers..."** we need parish photographers to capture all that is happening academically, spiritually, and socially and someone to publish and maintain a weekly e-mail blast. Interested? Contact Gail Byrnes at 779-1166.

Human Concerns Commission...

- Operation Rice Bowl was a success and will likely be an annual event. Leftovers were taken to the Maria Shelter. The collection is this week-end. The Ash Wednesday collection from the school children resulted in \$1000 in support for PADS and Maria Shelter. Easter baskets are being collected for Su Casa. Fair Trade artisans will be speaking on 5/15 from 7-9pm at Incarnation Parish. Holy Family is looking for food donations of peanut butter, cereal, and canned fruit. St. Vincent de Paul will be preparing 48 Easter baskets filled with food on April 8. With all of these projects, more volunteers are needed...please consider helping.

Spiritual Life Commission...

- Do you have or know anyone who has experience in the recording industry? The Children's Choir has an opportunity to sing the national anthem at the 6/11 White Sox game but needs to submit an mp3 recording. Contact Kitty Ryan at 779-1166 if you can help.
- Calling all Eucharistic Ministers!!! Please sign up for one of the Easter liturgies.

Parish Life Commission...

- St. Barnabas had a great turn out for the parade. Parish Life will work on two new goals: promoting parish and school activities in local newspapers and working with all organizations to better coordinate goals, fundraising issues, member development, calendar, etc.

Parish Council...

- Worked with the Development Plan in identifying the commission's responsibility in achieving these goals and objectives. Additionally, the council is discussing tag lines and will revisit next month. Parish Council terms and structure is being discussed

As you can see, much is happening. Thank you to all the commission members and for all the volunteers who make St. Barnabas such a vibrant parish. Your gifts of time, talent, and treasure are truly appreciated!
The next meeting will be held on **Monday, May 4**.