

Two Minute Two Minute Report



The Monthly Leadership Night was held on **Monday, September 14**. A summary of each commission's accomplishments and upcoming events are described in the following "Two-Minute Report"...

Education/Faith Formation Commission...

- Goals and Objectives reviewed and approved
- Committee reports: Adult Faith: CRHIP will have a reunion October 25. Fr. Burton Continues his Series of lectures on the Bible Thursday October 17 in Church Hall. Bible Study groups will begin in November. Hospitality is working well every Sunday following the 10:00 Mass.
- Sacramental: Marriage prep still looking for one or two new couples to assist in preparing couples for marriage.
- School report: Open house was well attended. Enrollment is 426. School news letter is on the web site.
- Religious Ed. This year the program is committed to actively involve parents in the program. This year there are 185 students
- Spred begins in two weeks September 27th. We welcome new people.

Administration Commission...

- Finance Board is seeking 2 new members to replace LuAnn O'Shea and Fran Kaberna who have served for several years and we gratefully thank them for their service.
- GIA has approved tuition assistance for 5 families totaling \$16,000; 2 applications are pending.
- Sheila Padden will become the Parish Council liaison to the Endowment Foundation.
- The Fall Stewardship Appeal will be kicked off with the Annual Stewardship Report that will be mailed the week of 10/19 followed by a talk from Fr. Malloy at all masses on 10/24-25, then commitment Sunday will take place on 11/14-15 and will end with a Parish Dinner Dance as a recognition on 2/13/10...more details to come!

Human Concerns Commission...

- PADS is hosting a 2 ½ mile walkathon in Marquette Park on 10/3. Meals will begin in October.
- Maria Shelter is seeking a volunteer coordinator to assist with the many volunteers who have shown interest
- SuCasa is serving (and sheltering) over 100 guests. The Christmas lunch will be 12/13 and they will be assembling gift bags.
- Respect Life will kick off the baby bottle project at the 12:00 mass on 10/4.
- Peace and Justice is working hard on the "going green" project and hopes to have more recycling efforts on parish grounds. They are also planning an unemployment workshop.
- Red Tag will once again be providing Christmas gifts for children – from Thanksgiving to 12/5.

Spiritual Life Commission...

- The Liturgy Committee is planning liturgies for Fall Family Festival (9/26), Anointing Liturgy (10/10), All Saints Day (11/1), Veteran's Liturgy (11/8), and Thanksgiving Liturgy (11/26).
- Phil Horrigan from the Office of Divine Worship will present a workshop to the Art & Environment committee on 9/21.
- Rehearsals have resumed for both the children's and adult choir. New members are still welcome!

Parish Life Commission...

- Parish Life discussed their goals for the Development Plan and are feverishly working on plans for the Fall Festival on Saturday, September 25th following the 4:00 Mass.
- The Parish Athletic program is in full swing – please support our Buckeyes!

Parish Council...

- Parish Council discussed Leadership terms of service. Member terms were adjusted by commission to ensure proper representation on the Council.
- Parish Council discussed the Development Plan Template that will aid in monitoring the goals and objectives of the plan. A proposal and timeline for monitoring the progress of the plan toward successful completion was agreed upon.
- The formation of a Communication Committee that would develop a communication plan for the Parish (both Church and School) was discussed. More specifics regarding the committee and the plan will be discussed at the October meeting.

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, October 5**.