

St. Joseph the Worker Cluster - Faith Formation Commission  
Meeting Minutes – January 19th, 2016 - SFA, Fayette – 7:00pm

- I. Opening Prayer – Father Jim led the Council in the Our Father.
- II. Approval of Minutes – Motion was made to approve the September minutes by Hoey. Motion seconded by J.H. s.
- III. How are things going?
  - a. HN – Parents are doing a very good job of communicating student absences prior to the start of class. A monthly newsletter is being distributed. We are seeing an increase of use in the Facebook page. The evening program is beginning to look at a potential outing for the students. The Christmas Program went well. We will focus on the Year of Mercy this semester.
  - b. IC – Attendance has been very good and communication from parents has been good, as well. The Christmas program went well, but focus next year will be on participation from all students K-12. Students will be working on reciting prayers. A newsletter will be distributed on the Year of Mercy.
  - c. SF – Everything has been going very well. The Christmas Program was good and students continue to do Bingo with the residents of Maple Crest every month.
  - d. SP – The Christmas pageant went very well. Will be focusing on Spiritual Adoption this semester.
- IV. Faith Formation Leader Evaluations – Evaluations should be completed by Fr. Jim and the Parish FF Council representatives and administered in conjunction with the March meeting. All comments will be combined into one summary for the leader.
- V. Data Report (Streeter) – The Archdiocesan data collection has been completed. Baptismal records for those in Sacramental preparation is nearly complete. Protection of Children training for students needs to be in done in February or March so records can be turned in to the Archdiocese in a timely manner.
- VI. Diacore (Olson) – A teacher in-service was held on January 6<sup>th</sup>. Olson attended a Zoom meeting on 1/19 with information on upcoming events in 2016 through Diocore.
- VII. Children’s Liturgy of the Word (Schmitt) – It is going smoothly at St. Peter and Immaculate Conception. The program has started up at St. Francis but is in need of more volunteers. Holy Name will be setting up a meeting with potential volunteers so it can be rolled out.
- VIII. First Confession/First Eucharist (Rochford) – Fourteen of the sixteen First Reconciliation students attended the Sacrament in December. There will be a parent/student meeting on Sunday, January 24<sup>th</sup> and a retreat for all First Communicants on April 16<sup>th</sup>. First Communion will take place on Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at 2:00pm in Fayette.
- IX. Confirmation (Hoey) – The retreat for the 2015-16 class was a success. They have also attended a workshop with two more in Feb. and June. Confirmation, itself, will take place on Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm at St. Francis of Assisi.
- X. NCYC (Hoey) – NCYC was a huge success. All parish breakfasts with presentation by the students were completed on January 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. The diocese will be sponsoring a chaperone dinner next week.
- XI. IMPACT (Wenthold/Hoey/Schmitt) – IMPACT has been going well. The next session will be held Saturday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> at St. Mary’s in Waverly.
- XII. RCIA (Yauk) – There are three individuals in the RCIA program this year. They will be going to Waterloo for their Right of Election on February 13<sup>th</sup>.
- XIII. Other Business? – Communal Penance will take place at St. Francis of Assisi on February 3<sup>rd</sup> and at Holy Name on February 24<sup>th</sup> for both the afternoon and evening classes. Fr. Jim also indicated he would be willing to do Eucharistic Adoration for the Sumner and Clermont parishes, if desired. Program Managers will let Fr. Know if they would like to hold Eucharistic Adoration for their classes.
- XIV. Adjourn – Next Meeting – Due to a scheduling conflict with Diocore, the next meeting is being moved from Tuesday, March 15<sup>th</sup> to Thursday, March 10<sup>th</sup>. It will be held at St Francis of Assisi, Fayette at 7:00pm.