

Rebecca Nickel leads us in prayer of thanksgiving for Diocese of Indianapolis

From last meeting

Brendan - sent out doodle poll, found out about listening session items

Lara - finished questions

Scott - sent out parish visit package

Alissa - took reins on weekly message on Facebook

Meeting w/evangelism team

- Will said there were many conference calls, Scott pulled things together
- Team composition issues
 - Lara mentioned not visiting own parishes
 - Brendan raises scheduling issues
 - Enid says team up someone known with someone unknown
 - Team formation: Enid and Will, Randy and Bill
- Bill asks whether or not we are duplicating effort of Executive Council
 - says New Albany meeting went well.
 - Jaimie and Brendan say meeting was not as productive at all locations

- Enid changed letter to make it much shorter.

- Enid will grab Martinsville

- All with parish on list: send a message to the rector in the next 2 weeks.

- Lara will get list of contact info

Next item: Request from Canon Kissinger

- meeting in Indianapolis on Sep 12 to discuss deanery structure

- Ember Day, so clergy reps will be there. Co-conveners will handle lay rep

Tom Brackett

- Officer for Mission Revitalization and Church Planting w/Presiding Bishop's staff

- excellent facilitator, central message that mission must come from a "place of belovedness"

- impact as measure of church success - how many lives are changing? If the church disappeared, how would the community notice?

- Jaimie: question: do we gather as a group while he does webcast

- Rebecca and Brendan: webcast of episcopal stewardship was a positive experience for gathering in the same place

- Jaimie will follow up for a list of spring availability

Scheduling Goals

- Enid asks about the scheduling of goals for next year

- Brendan hopes we are done with data by September, no legislation this year
- Will notes transition from “what are the questions?” to “what are the answers?”
- Lara talks about commitment to interact with each parish.

Topic oriented teams for 9/21 agenda

- diocesan communication
- diocesan budget
- diocesan governance/deaneries
- looking forward; avoid encouraging grievances
- mission/outreach what is the mission of the church?
- internal vs. external ministry (Christian formation)
- providing comfort for those grieving
- nuts and bolts (shared parish admin, elevator maintenance, fire inspections, volume pricing)

Some general notes on gathering feedback

Lara reminds us of brief meeting time

Will reminds us that early parishes are guinea pigs

Enid says we need to make explicit invitation for further feedback

Enid reminds us also that old grievances will come up

Enid also says that we should validate people who see mission as service to the internal community, respect that as mission.

Location for 9/21 meeting

- Tentatively at Christ Church Cathedral
- Brendan will contact Steve Carlsen

Next Meetings

- Lara has an idea for non-meeting Google Hangouts
 - tabled until after we get people on Facebook/Twitter
- Brendan asks 6pm in evening on 4th Sunday
 - Tentative next meeting is Aug 25 @ 6pm