

CIFT Minutes 4/4/24

1. **Opening prayer:** Fr. Alan

2. **Agenda:**

a. Adoration- Friday, April 5th (Anthony)

- i. 2-2:30pm, Fr Peter.
- ii. Format: Exposition, Readings, Decade of the Rosary, Music, Benediction
- iii. **To Do:**
 - 1. Anthony to meet Fr Peter before Adoration and review plan
 - 2. Mary Grace to bring prayer sheets and Anthony to inform Fr. Peter of missing line in Divine Praises.

b. Teacher's Retreat- Friday, April 12th

- i. Anthony reviewed that there is no definitive plan and they are open to thoughts. Met with teachers and all agree that simple is best. Possible theme- "Teacher as Vocation." Short talk about what that means and then small group questions to reflect on aspects of teaching, why teachers do what they do, positive thoughts/memories/reflections. Gratitude.
- ii. Discussion regarding the amount of time and prep that has gone into retreats in the past and that being the standard. Decision to move forward with next Friday rather than rescheduling it.
- iii. Format:
 - 1. Lunch (Annie and Lisa Muchmore to provide lasagna lunch in the Parish Hall)
 - 2. Small groups with teacher facilitators to introduce "Teacher as Vocation"
 - 3. Mass- no music
- iv. **To Do:**
 - 1. Anthony to send a Google doc with group discussion questions for teachers. Andy to help with assembling
 - 2. Religion teachers to collect gratitude statements from students to put on the lunch tables.
 - 3. Anthony to designate small group leaders to introduce what vocation means.
 - 4. Fr to prepare homily regarding vocation/teaching.

c. "Come and See"- Wednesday, May 1st

- i. Mary Grace has received confirmation from 3 out of 4 orders.
- ii. Fr Timothy to stay for evening and do a youth group event/music. Itinerary for the day reviewed:
 - 1. Mass: Priests to concelebrate. MG to ask if one would like to read Gospel, 1 do the homily, sisters lector and Danielle do the Responsorial Psalm. Reading for St. Joseph the Worker. Fr Alan to look at readings for that day. Sue to get altar servers.

2. *Classroom visits 10:30-11:30 SJRS, 11:30-12 OLMA*
3. *Lunch: Annie and Janene; pizza for high school students*
4. *Testimonies in St. Bernard 1-2pm*
5. *Adoration 2-2:30pm; same format, can adjust based on April 5th experience. Students do readings. Litany of St. Joseph- Andy to get and Fr has an icon of St. Joseph.*
6. **To Do:**
 - a. *Mary Grace to reach out to attendees regarding Mass duties*
 - b. *Fr Alan to get readings for the day*
 - c. *Mary Grace to reach out regarding evening activities for High School and Middle School Youth Group; Sunday Dinner available to do cookout.*
 - d. *Mary Grace to send Fr Alan and Chris the itinerary for the day and write up something for Jen to put in the Newsletter for families.*
 - e. *Andy- Litany of St. Joseph and get icon from Fr Alan*

d. Future planning:

- i. *Can communicate via email chain through events and Fr would like to have one more meeting after all events are done for closure and gratitude.*