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# GA PPC MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, 11.12.24

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## Attendees

Matthew Amos, Cara Barone, James Cady, Sonya Coelho, Fr Joe Connelly (Pastor), Marymartha Heasley, Lourdes Rivera, Pat Ryan (Parish Administrator), Steve Sims (Trustee), Debbie Stadt, Jonathan Amos.

## Absentee

Mike Braun (Deacon), Pat Dolan


## Agenda

### 1. Faith Formation

- a. Sunday's Family Faith Formation is up to 39 families and 57 children in the program. There are 29 children signed up for 1st reconciliation/1st communion. All 3 of these numbers are increases from last year.
- b. We have had 3 sessions so far, which have had a strong attendance. The average is around 80-85% of families at the sessions.
- c. Fr. Joe gave the most recent session's talk on "Jesus: Our Friend and Savior"
- d. Primary feedback from families who do the lessons has been positive. Others have struggled to find time in their schedules or have forgotten to do the lessons. Currently working on encouraging those families to do the home lessons.
- e. Junior High has 23 youth signed up, with an average attendance of 17 per week. We are going through the Apostles Creed right now.
- f. Guardian Angels' Confirmation date is 11/16. We have 50 confirmands in the program, 44 of which will receive on 11/16. The other 6 had scheduling issues and will receive at a later date

### 2. Staff Updates

- a. Andrew Watts will be joining GA in Faith Formation.
    - i. He is coming over from England and is working on getting his visa.
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1. Start date is in January.
    - b. GA is also looking for an office manager.
  3. Small Groups Update
    - a. Going great so far, good groups.
  4. Safety and Security Discussion
    - a. Members from the safety and security committee presented recommendations to the PPC about ways to improve security.
      - i. Volunteers will be recruited to walk through the halls during Mass.
        1. Committee will take the lead on organizing the details and functionality.
  5. Stained glass quilt displays
    - a. Members of the archive committee presented recommendations about reinstalling quilt displays.
      - i. PPC will discuss and will report.
  6. Hope for the journey home
    - a. PPC did not go into full depth about hope for the journey home but an update on the house is that it is in the process of being cleaned out.
  7. Parishioner brunch
    - a. Good success!
      - i. 29 people showed up.
  8. Next meeting December 10th, 2024, at 5:15pm.