

ST. MARY'S EVANGELIZATION & CATECHESIS COMMITTEE MINUTES

- A. The February meeting was canceled as of February 6th, 2025.
 - 1. Prayer
 - 2. Roll call ~ Sara Nosbush, Dan Braulick, Victor Martinez, Jenny Miller, Emily Krzmarzick, Jamie Pietig, George Schwint, Peter Roufs, Shelley Roufs, Matt Grausam, Fr. Craig Timmerman, Fr. Nathan Hansen
 - 3. January minutes were taken, but there was no quorum for a meeting
 - 4. February agenda...was emailed for approval
- B. ENRICHMENT ~ none
- C. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS
 - 1. PreK and Kindergarten tuition for 2025-26 school year...*PreK tuition proposal was approved via email.*
 - a. PK4, 3 days: \$1,365 (no bus), PK4 \$1600 (with bussing)
 - b. PK4, 4 days: \$1,830 (no bus), PK4 \$2150 (with bussing)
 - c. PK3, 2 days: \$750 (no bus), PK3 \$890 (with bussing)
- D. STAFF/COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - 1. School~ Mr. Roufs' report included the following...the February virtue of the month is Honesty; The March for Life Rally in St. Paul on January 22nd was attended by nearly 40 students; Catholic Schools Week was a success-seeing the students spend time together in prayer & play; The State Capitol's recently proposed budget was mentioned. It would defund students by eliminating nonpublic pupil aid that supports each student with funding for testing, textbooks, counseling, nursing and bussing; The 10th Annual Caribbean Knight will be February 8th, 5:30 PM-12:00 AM; No school Friday, February 14th and Monday, February 17th; Mike Hopkins, retired astronaut, will come to speak to our students and 4 other schools at out auditorium on Friday, Feb. 21st. He will share about his faith and science experiences; The students are doing well-many academic achievements to celebrate! Also the new policies associated with phone use, late assignments and attendance are going well, and have positively affected the learning environment this year. The PreK and Kindergarten information night for 2025-26 will be Monday, Feb. 24th. PreK registration will be in the cafeteria from 5-6:00 PM, and the Kindergarten Information meeting will be in the Kindergarten room from 6:30-7:30 PM; The Elementary Library will be staffed by Mrs. Geri Pelzel during the library hours on Tuesdays, and Keyboarding will be taken over by Mrs. Mary Krambeer on Fridays, since the passing of Jenny Blick. Classroom teachers will now take care of the AR portion in Miss Blick's absence. She will be truly missed. The position will be evaluated as we move into 2025-26.
 - 2. Religious Education~ Shelley's report included that the 2nd graders made their First Reconciliation on Jan. 26th, and that they will soon start their preparations for First Communion (Parent Meeting, Feb. 23rd). Confirmation students had their last meeting, and will celebrate their Confirmation on March 9th at 2:00 PM at St. Mary's Church, Sleepy Eye. Wednesday classes are going well, as "the catechists are very dedicated to providing meaningful lessons".
 - 3. Pastor/Superintendent~none
 - 4. Financial~none
- E. FUTURE AGENDA
 - 1. MEETING DATE: Tuesday, March 11, 2025, 5:30 p.m. St. Mary's Church Parish Meeting Room
 - 2. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:
- F. PRAYER
- G. ADJOURNMENT~

Respectfully submitted, Marti Schroepfer