

St. John Vianney Parish Committee Minutes

Committee: *Formation*

Meeting Date: *April 1, 2025*

Attendance: X = Present; E = Excused; A = Absent (*Enter committee member names below*)

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| X | Kevin Prudlow – Chair | X | Michelle Prudlow – Vice Chair | X | Karen Coon - Secretary |
| X | Janlyn Carvalho – Staff Liaison | X | Drew Burgoyne – Pastoral Council Liaison | X | Adrienne Burgoyne - Member |
| X | John Casey - Member | X | Margie Casey – Member | X | Angie Jaramillo - Member |
| X | Maureen McMahon - Member | X | Mercedes Rowe - Member | X | Patrick Spiering - Member |
| X | Julie Wasilewski - Member | X | Rose Wegner - Member | X | Fr. LoCoco - Pastor |
| X | Pam Pyzyk – PC Chair | X | Rick Chabot – Guest | X | Katie Griffin - Guest |
| X | Marlee Jansen – Guest | X | Bob Dusek - Guest | | |

• **Topics/Issues/Projects/Strategic Plan Initiatives Discussed**

- Introduction of Guests/Nominated members of Formation
- Family Faith Formation Program 2025/2026 school year – Fr. LoCoco
 - i. Fr. LoCoco met with staff of the Formation Department looking at the history of Christian Formation over the time that we have had the Family Faith Formation program.
 - ii. Fr. LoCoco and the Formation staff are reworking the FFF program with several ideas in mind.
 - 1. Respect for, and awareness of, the fact that participants are making the choice to be at FFF should be at the heart of catechetical instruction.
 - 2. The family is the primary source of faith formation in children, and the parish is there to equip them with the tools and information they need to do that.
 - 3. Emphasizing the importance of the Mass in our faith, and that the source and summit of our faith is the Eucharist.
 - 4. Adding ongoing formation opportunities for the volunteers and catechists.
 - iii. Several options were presented for the format of the FFF for K4 – 10th grade, Confirmation, and OCIA programs. A decision regarding the final schedule and format for each program will be made in the coming month. Members of the Formation Committee will be asked to support these programs either in making presentations or providing other support to the programs. The options will be sent to the Formation Committee members for comment and questions.
- Pastoral Council Report –Drew Burgoyne
 - i. The issue most concerning Pastoral Council is the parish wide survey. This survey addresses the changes that have been since The deadline for participating in the survey was 3/31/25. Dave Davel will review the results and present them to Pastoral Council.
 - ii. PC is also working on a new strategic plan.
 - iii. Kevin & Michelle have been asked by PC to remain on the committee for an additional year to provide continuity during this period of transition in the FFF program.
- Christian Formation report – Janlyn Carvalho
 - i. Vacation Bible School has 65 registrants to date.
 - ii. Children registered for the Peru Youth Mission trip this summer will be speaking at each Mass the weekend of April 5 & 6. They will be raising awareness of the mission trip and asking for donations through a second collection.
 - iii. SJV Helping Hands, a summer service group for children who will be entering the 6th – 12th grade in the fall of 2025, has 10 students enrolled. The group is limited to 15 participants, so it is likely to fill up soon.
 - iv. The registration paperwork, along with information regarding the altered format for the FFF programs, will be sent in early May.

• **Action/Follow Up Items`**

| <i>Action Item</i> | <i>Who is Responsible?</i> | <i>Target Date</i> |
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| Additional Small Groups creation & recruiting | All | Ongoing |

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| Assessment and reworking of FFF materials to conform to the new format and teaching requirements | All | Fall, 2025 |
| Programs and topics for FFF 2025/2026 school year | All | Summer, 2025 |
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- **Next Meeting Dates: *June 3, 2025 – Common Leadership Night – meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Church***
 - **Possible intermediate meeting - *TBA***

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Coon

Secretary – Formation

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- X FYI. No action needed at this time.
- ☐ Please put us on your next agenda. See attachment.
- ☐ We need direction, please. See attachment.
- ☐ Other: