

DEANERY ASSEMBLY REPORT FORM – Spring 2023

Deanery: Milw Southwest
Report Submitted By: Tim Cincotta

Meeting Date: 3/29/2023

Parish Deanery Assembly Representatives/Parishes Present:

Tim Cincotta – St John the Evangelist
Terri Hoffman – St Florian’s

Tom Fredrickson – St Mary’s - Hales Corners
Mary Binder – St Alphonsus

1. Did your deanery need to discern a new APC representative? Yes _____ No
If yes, who was selected? (Name, parish, email, phone, and mailing address please)

2. Did you have a presentation on a specific topic? Yes No _____
If Yes, what was the topic, who was the presenter, and what were the main points of the presentation?
Hispanic Ministry – Eva Diaz
Eva gave an extremely thorough walk-through of all the services that the Hispanic Ministry provides for parishes, and the ways the ministry facilitates support of individuals, families or groups via parishes, other individuals and the many archdiocesan programs and services available. This is done with the goal of both bringing people into the full life of the archdiocese, but also helping them hold on to their cultural traditions that are so important to them.

3. Comments or Questions from Meeting Topics Discussed:

Due to a last-minute issue that prevented the spring meeting from being held on the originally scheduled date, many deanery representatives could not make the meeting, so the meeting was almost entirely centered around Eva’s presentation, which went about 1 ½ hours. We came away from the meeting very impressed at the breadth and depth of the work the ministry is doing.

4. Deanery items for the attention of the archbishop:

- Share one significant way Synod priorities are being implemented at your parish.
- Is there any other significant parish activity, which happened, is happening, or being discussed that you want to share. Feel free to bring one handout.

Due to the lengthy presentation and sparse attendance, we did not have much of our usual discussion. We will correct this at the next meeting.

5. Significant new ways parishes are planning for the post-pandemic church:

Many parishes have instituted live-streaming of Masses, new or enhanced digital support tools, etc. and have found these to be catalysts for further outreach. This has gotten the “wheels turning” on many more ways to utilize these tools in evangelization, bringing people to/back to Mass, faith formation, etc. They have proven to be low- to no-pressure sources for people to consume at their own pace and seem to have opened another avenue for people seeking more in their spiritual lives after the last few years of pandemic anxiety and uncertainty.

6. Any other comments or questions?

7. Future Meeting Dates, Time, and Location:

Summer 2023: June 28th, 7:00 PM – St John the Evangelist Parish

Fall 2023: September 13th, 7:00 PM – St John the Evangelist Parish (Tentative)

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