

Catholic Grandparents Association St. Faustina Catholic Church, Clermont, FL

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Meeting Summary, Wednesday, January 15, 2024

Attendance: 4
Grandchildren: 12

Opening Prayers

We added prayer for our members who are sick or caring for sick loved ones, as well as for the grandchildren of all members.

Faith Café: Tuesday, January 14, 2:30 pm our time (via Zoom; free registration)

Special Guest Cardinal Wilfred Napier, OFM, Bishop of Kokstad, South Africa

Theme: Collegiality and Synodality

Jerilyn shared a few highlights and encouraged everyone to register and view the recordings. She also noted the Jubilee Year of Hope declared for 2025 and how the theme relates to our ministry.

Business: Planning for 2025 continued

We continued planning our 2025 Calendar by assigning someone to work on each of the top ranked ideas in each category.

<u>Growing the Ministry</u>: Sam agreed to coordinate testimonials at Mass, beginning with a meeting with Fr. Carlos. We'll also speak to him about having the celebrant mention our group at Mass, appropriate to whatever event or activity we may have coming up. Jerilyn agreed to remind members at each meeting to invite others they encounter one-on-one to join us.

<u>Service Projects</u>: Jerilyn will ask Deacon Cris to investigate possible group activities in our community. Jerilyn would like to link this to caroling visits next December. We could sing in facilities for the sick, have disabilities, those who may feel isolated during the holidays. Jerilyn will work with Kelly on this. We'd like to see our community service projects open to the parish to join us.

<u>Topics/Speakers</u>: Mimi agreed to lead "Explaining the Crucifixion to young children," in March. Jerilyn will ask Deacon Cris to begin the Intro to the Sacraments in February, and to investigate a parish series held in the church on this topic. Jerilyn will research speakers for medical directives and Catholic ethics.

Discussion Topic: The Seven Sacraments of the Church

Tentatively rescheduled for Feb 19. Homework: write down your questions about the sacraments for Deacon Cris to use in planning a possible series, bring to the next meeting.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 19, 2025, 11:00 am

Tentative Theme: The Seven Sacraments, led by Deacon Cris