

A strong showing of TEN people attended the archdiocesan meeting on Parish Transformation last Saturday. We began this evening with brief reports on key points gleaned from the event.

- The key to evangelization is welcoming. The very first point of contact may be the parish website, the receptionist in the office or the greeter at the door. Use caution against insider language and a club-like atmosphere.
- Build Leadership by engaging the millennials.
- Facebook and YouTube are the most effective forms of social media.
- Stewardship is receiving gifts, improving on the gifts and giving in return. Feed my sheep. *“Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love.” - Mother Teresa*

As promised, Jon Matousek gave a presentation on the Qualitative Open-Ended Remarks in the Parish Survey. The report is available on the parish website.

For the very first time, we split into our three self-assigned sub-committees: Mission, Formation/Education and Finance. Each group chose a chairperson and a scribe and was tasked with brainstorming aspirational objectives to answer the question: What are we being called to do?

	Chairperson	Scribe
Mission	Lucie Kreidler	Paula St. Louis, Chuck Hemler
Formation/Education	Dina Petricca, Johnny Burnett	Sue McMahon
Finance	Marge Schmitt	Dennis Bogacki

Each committee will continue to dialogue and exchange throughout the next few days. Each scribe will email your aspirational objectives to Jon and Lorelei by this Friday evening, October 30, for compilation.

At our next meeting on Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, we will prioritize our aspirational goals and begin taking action steps. Please know that each week we welcome a few brand new people to the Parish Transformation Team. If you are reading this and are being called to attend, please, please do come!

Fr. Ed reminded us that finding and articulating the best direction is not easy. We must have patience! We closed with a Hail Mary in remembrance of Fr. Phil Henseler and for his family.