

Parish Mission and Vision Update - October 2, 2021

Per the parish wide Flocknote sent last night, we've hired Jessica Petter as our new Director of Evangelization and Formation (new title). She's going to be excellent. Her first day is Tuesday.

Encounter #2- Aligned Activities

-Activities this month: Invitation to Personal Prayer, Consecration to St. Joseph, Discovering Christ, RCIA, CCO small groups

Encounter #3- Entry Points

-Discovering Christ began in September. Lots of interest in RCIA. Some will be there Tuesday nights, others have a special track according to their circumstances.

Encounter #7- Confessions

We published a graphic with the 12-15 hours of Confession times available in Stillwater. It is readily available for anyone and everyone.

Grow #5- Adult Catechesis in Spanish

-Exploring the possibility of some Spanish speaking Sisters coming to Stillwater for Spanish language education.

Grow #8- Vocations

-St. John's student Daniel Albrecht was recently accepted as a seminarian for the Diocese of Tulsa.

-Deacon informational meeting is October 24th. All men of the parish are invited. Spouses too. It will be a dinner at the rectory with representatives from the Diocese of Tulsa in attendance.

Go #2- Welcoming the Poor

We are working with Catholic Charities of Eastern Oklahoma to help settle 40 individuals and families from Afghanistan. First families will arrive in Stillwater around November 1st. Mike FitzGerald is the contact point. He's developing a strong group of volunteers.

Go #3- Stillwater Catholic Charities

Spanish language counseling now being offered once a month.

Go #6- Use of Media

Communications Coordinator Lauren Lacy is stepping down October 31st. We are looking to hire someone in the short term to help with the next few months and then look to hire long term. Too many of the communications responsibilities are falling on the pastor.

Go #8- RCIA

RCIA is off to a good start under the leadership of Fr. Robert. There are a number of conversations happening with individuals who want to receive the Sacraments.

Building #1- Rectory

-this month is the second anniversary of the building of the rectory. It continues to be a blessing to the priests. Post Covid, we're able to host many more events. We frequently host priests visiting for vocation work and weddings or a day of rest.