

# **St. Joseph- St. John Ministry Encounter** **Report to the CPC**

Use extra sheets if necessary

**Ministry Name(s):** **ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

**Encounter Date:** March 3, 2008

**Length of Meeting:** 1 hr

*Present: Cindy Leonard, CRE, St. Joseph's; Sr. Pat Sylvester, Pastoral Associate and AFF Coordinator, St. John Neumann*

## **Opportunities Noted:**

Possible collaboration and sharing of the following programs:

- “Great Adventures Bible Study” – 24 Wk. Series (St. Joseph)
- Mom’s Group – (both parishes)
- “The Apostles” Series – (St. John Neumann)
- Parish Jesuit Retreat (JRH) – projected for the Fall (St. John Neumann)

## **Note:**

*We have been communicating programs and some parishioners from both parishes have been attending programs offered, for example, Bible Series at St. Joseph’s and “The Vatican II” Series at St. John’s.*

*At this time we did not discuss future PLANNING of programs, or forming one Adult Ongoing Faith Formation Committee.*

*We simply looked at what is going on now or in the near future, with the possibility of making these programs available to both parishes.*

## **Specific Challenges to Collaboration:**

- Communication and collaboration at Staff and Committee Levels – that both parish Staff’s recognize and communicate to us any AFF planning outside of the programs (i.e. above) we may begin, so that our efforts are unified and do not conflict.
- Room availability and accommodations.
- Availability and flexibility of Adult Ed. Leaders from both parishes.
- Communication of programs and events.
- Coordination of details, i.e. announcements, registration, set up, etc.

### **Suggestions to the CPC:**

- Continue communication of CPC minutes to both Parish Staffs.
- Desire is for us to be on “the same page” in re: to what direction, guidelines, etc. we need to follow as we continue to collaborate in this area. For example, our meeting for this report is in the “discovery” and “getting to know you” stage and yet we have been and are already making offerings available to both parishes.

**Questions :** Are we to take responsibility ourselves to continue meeting and planning?  
Will a report and summary of the “Dialog Encounters” be made available to  
Those of us who turned in a Report?

Thank you and the CPC for all your efforts of time and talent to help our parishes collaborate together at this time in the history of our Church. Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, may our combined efforts work toward a continued and collaborative Catholic presence here in Strongsville and beyond.

*THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!*