

Strategic Plan Updates

Executive Committee

Representing the Executive Committee, Camy Stone reported on the Executive Committee's progress on accomplishing some of its objectives.

Objective #1: Improve the quality of the parish bookkeeping systems

The Committee has successfully been working closely with Nancy Robison on the parish bookkeeping system provided by the Diocese.

Objective #4: Participate actively in area parishes

St. Maria Goretti Parish participated in the Ecumenical lunches during Lent. Parishioners have been volunteering at the Coal Valley Food Pantry in conjunction with other Coal Valley churches.

Objective #6: Ensure the Executive Committee meets regularly

The Executive Committee, which consists of John Kratt, Camy Stone, and Fr. Jim DeBisschop, meets regularly.

Parish Council

Members of the Parish Council discussed its progress in reaching some of the objectives.

Objective #1: Use existing programs to grow available ministries

SMG parishioners were invited to attend the weekly Stations of the Cross at Mary Our Lady of Peace.

Objective #2: Utilize various forms of communication to raise knowledge and encourage involvement.

Parishioners are kept informed of events at SMG through the weekly bulletin, the announcements during Mass, the parish website, and the parish social media sites.

Representatives of the various parish ministries give witness during the masses when a ministry is showcased.

Objective #3: Encourage involvement from a personal perspective

The Parish Council discussed the importance of personally asking parishioners to join ministries and to take on leadership positions.

Objective #5: Establish a big goal and create a big event

The Parish Council brainstormed various ideas for a fundraiser. Dale mentioned that there was a parish that successfully auctioned off a pew and a parking spot for a set amount of time, such as a month. Other ideas mentioned were a car show and a yard sale.