MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Sunday, January 19 — Skype Call with our friends in Guatemala; 10am in Daisy Room.

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Informational meeting re: 2020 summer delegation to TNII;
  after 11am mass in Upper Room.

See additional announcements below.

SJA Sister Parish Monthly Meeting Minutes - January 3, 2020

Attendees: DaniLuz, Patricia, Rita, Jeff, Meghan, Ann, Paul, Jason, Cathy, Louisa, Luis, Zamara, Mindy, Cathy B, Bob B, Rosey, Julie, Carol, Joe, Michael, Rick, Phyllis, Kate, Mick, Nancy

Meghan, Rita and Julie led us in song, prayer and reflection.

Recent Church Events / Community Sharing

South:

• Children’s Christmas party in TNII — a great success. Super-heroes theme! Thanks to everyone at SJA for supporting this community-building event.
• Meghan shared greetings from TNII; she will share their letters next month.

North:

• Rosey is going back to the border soon to help at respite centers.
• Sarah Brenes from Advocates for Human Rights (and also a friend of Sister Parish) spoke before mass last week.
• We had a lovely Christmas at SJA with many masses.
• SJA recently awarded justice grants to several organizations focusing on the issue of immigration.
• Part-time work is now available with Sister Parish Inc. — reach out to Luis Cuyun, Cathy Burrell or Carrie Stengel.

Report and Recommendations from Delegation Travel Stipend Committee

• Sub-committee recommends that we offer travel stipends for those who might not be able to travel without assistance, with a focus on encouraging youth and family participation. We do not want people to NOT participate due to financial need.
• Recommend we use left-over “extra” Outreach funds ($4000+) for this purpose.
• Funds would be prioritized to youth, families, “new” delegates.
• Travel stipend could be up to the total cost of SP travel fee, depending on overall availability of funds.
• There is an application and a review team (Kate, Nancy, Rita and Julie) to determine how stipends will be awarded.
• Full committee voted to proceed with recommendation from sub-committee.

Planning for 2020 N to S Delegation Visit

• January 19 information meeting after 11am mass in Upper Room. Open to all.
• Roles have been assigned.
• Please invite people personally to come to the meeting.

**Educational Movie Nights: Finding Oscar, Dates**
• Looking at a May 5 date (tentative). Luis will look into DVD and movie rights.

**Skype Call Plans and Budget for 2020**
• Skype call at 10am on January 19 with TNII, in Daisy Room.
• Budget discussion tabled until next month. Luis will contact Paul to set budget and calendar.

**Cultural Appropriation Discussion**
• Targeting end of Feb.
• Format will be examples, stories, across multiple ministries at SJA. If you have stories and examples, send them in advance to Julie Madden.

**Financial Approvals**
• Committee approved sending $1000 annual linkage fee for 2020 to Sister Parish Inc.
• Committee approved sending a $500 deposit for 2020 N to S delegation this summer, to lock in travel date. (Will be a temporary expenditure, as money eventually comes from travelers.)

**Announcements**
• The Center for Mission (St. Paul/Minneapolis Archdiocese) hopes to team with Catholic Relief Services (CRS), with a focus on global poverty, international issues and advocacy. The first “building” meeting will be on Saturday, Feb. 1 from 2:30 - 5pm at Our Lady of Grace in Edina. Please attend if you are interested.
• Interfaith Coalition on Immigration (ICOM) and Conversations with Friends MN are always looking for volunteers. Google them for more information and contact information.

**Necessary Follow-up**

**SJA:**
- Craft sub-committee meeting to discuss possible next steps with craft project.
- Delegation parish meeting.

**TNII:**
- Discuss ways to facilitate Bible Study (Peregrinos) communication.
- Provide Craft financial reports from 2017, 2018 and 2019 when wrapped up.

Closing reflection.