

**Enhance Participation in Church Life/Evangelization**

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**Notes:**

- Team agreed to select a few areas; start an event and see if new interest areas develop. Use different formats, such as speakers or fireside chat to initiate first meeting to see if there is subsequent interest.
- Prioritized the activities based on current events planned and high interest areas. Discussed the first 4 groups (Environment, Health Care, Divorce and Election Year Topics).
- Will do a new event twice a year- spring and fall

<b>Group</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Format</b>	<b>Date</b>
Environment Group	Educating and organizing St Joe's to be involved Global Warming and God's Creation themes. Hopefully this will draw a new set of people to get involved	Ruth Putnam, extension of Just Faith- "Just Matter Program". SMG format. Involved new members- plans to start a St Joe's Care for God's Creation Committee	January - April
End of Life	Education and discussion end of life topic (long term care, ethical issues of end of life, living will)	Speaker :Jann Armantrout 43 attendees 6 surveys completed. interested in panel and speakers- legal issues and long term health – most popular. Phil Burke said he would do a talk on legal- organize in fall.	April 23 Fall 08
Divorced	Census survey indicated possible need	Prayer service and open it up for discussion. Coordinate with worship work group for prayer service. § Complete room request form. § Advertise in bulletin/web	June 11, 7:00pm
Election Year Topics	Prepare and educate for 2008 Elections	Speakers, Panel discussion	fall
Bible Study	Census indicated a real need. Modify SMG program	Led by a speaker who is knowledgeable	Lent
Cancer Survivors	Group to share experiences- may need a spiritual advisor	Speakers, books, discussion, involvement,	
Men's Bible Study	Census indicated a need		
New retirees	Addresses needs of aging community- coping with the transition or how retirees can help with their available time (e.g. drivers)	Speakers, books, discussion, involvement,	
Dealing with Addictions	Group to share experiences- may need a spiritual advisor	Speakers, books, discussion, involvement,	
College	Current college students (could evolve into post college)	May-Aug Basketball, picnics, service projects- monthly, networking. Tap into those involved previously	
Monthly Service event Team	Organize a monthly service project to do as a group (e.g. Clean sweep, Special Olympics, Bingo at Psych Center, Bethany House). Census related	Group of St Joe's that want to take the next step in involvement	