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Dear Friends & Family of St. Francis ECC,

Here is some of the news and information which is being talked about in and around our church for this 2nd full week in February:

- We had our 2nd annual Valentine Cook Off last Sunday. Wow. We had 48 people for Mass and 40 people stayed to taste the 7 different entries and vote on their favorite one. The food was delicious. Barb Fichter won 1st Place with her Lima bean, Kielbasa and bacon soup. Ron Little won 2nd Place with his Pasta Fagioli. The 3rd Place Prize was won by Marian Gleeson with her Beef Stew. Each of the 3 winners received gift cards as their prize. Thank you to all 7 of the entrants for their culinary skills and submitting their entry. A huge thank you to Cheryl Velez and her helper, Barb Fichter for their help in organizing and arranging the Cook Off for us. We are looking forward to next year!!!
- Brick Fundraising Payment: For those parishioners who are on the Brick Payment Plan, to make it easier for you to make payment, we've added a "Brick Payment (Paypal)" button to the Website - Brick Fundraising Page. A Minimum amount of \$20 is requested per payment when using this method of payment. **Please do not utilize the "Donate" Button that is available at the top of each Website page.** Using the "Brick Payment (Paypal)" button ensures that your payment goes directly to the Brick Fundraising Account. If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please see Bill Schwartz...
- We are going to be doing the Aids Partnership Dinner at Good Samaritan Church on Park Blvd on Wednesday March 15th. We will be serving a meal of corned beef and cabbage to people who are affected by Aids. We are getting the food from Finley's Irish Pub and they are offering us a special deal of \$9 per person. If you would like to help out by making a donation towards the cost of the food, it would be greatly appreciated. Even if a donation of \$9 is made, that will feed 1 person. Please see Becky Byrley, Peter Lambert or Cheryl Velez for more information or if you should have any questions.
- We still have the need for additional readers, greeters, ushers and acolytes. If you would like to help with the liturgical aspect of the Mass, please see Jim Villafana, our Liturgical Coordinator for more information.
- We will have our next White Elephant Bingo on Friday February 24th. Doors open at 7pm and Bingo starts at 7:30. We hope you will be able to join us for it. Tell your friends and neighbors about it.
- Prayers and Get Well Wishes are continuing to go up for everyone on our St. Francis Prayer list. Please say a little prayer for them. Thank you.
- Please see Larry Roush, our treasurer if you would like to receive a statement for tax purposes of the donations which you made to St. Francis ECC in 2016.

Thanks for reading this week's Council letter. You are always free to e-mail us here or contact any member of the church council if you should have any questions, concerns or comments. Thank you, and as always, we look forward to seeing you all in church!!!

In God's Peace, Your Church Council,

Jon, Jim, Terry, Mike, Leo & Larry