2018 Small Parish Forum **Agenda**



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|  | **Thursday July 12** | | |
| *Tab* | *Approx.* | *Topic* | *Session leader* |
| 1 | 3:00 PM | **Welcome & Introduction**  Remarks from host hierarch; Agenda review; A Look at Small Parishes: Theme intro | Joe Kormos |
| 7 | 3:35 PM | **Keynote – Discipleship:** **An Orthodox Christian Perspective for Leaders** | Fr. Thomas Soroka |
| 3  8 | 4:30 PM | **Orthodox Parish Governance in America: A Foundation**  Fundamentals of Orthodox Ecclesiology; Roots of Congregationalism; “The Parish”  Small Parish Development Grants Intro | Joe Kormos |
|  | 5:15 PM | *Vespers* | *Fr Andrew Jarmus* |
|  | *6:00 PM* | *Dinner* | *All* |
| 3 | 6:45 | **The Art of Facilitating Dialogue and Discussion**: Meeting about our meetings | Fr. Steven Frase |
|  | ~7:30 | Adjourn – *As energy wanes.* |  |
|  | **Friday July 13** | | |
|  | *8:45 AM* | *Trisagion Prayers with Epistle and Gospel* | *Fr. Andrew* |
| 3 | 9:00 AM | **Roles of Parish Council**  Council Purpose; Jobs; Qualifications/ Expectations; Fiduciary Duties: Governance & Ministry; Recruiting; Keys for Small Parishes; Beyond “B3” (bills/budgets/buildings) | Joe Kormos |
| 3 | 9:40 | **Principles of Orthodox Parish Leadership Workshop**  Small Groups discuss list of principles; Identify best | Fr. Steven Frase |
|  | 10:15 | *Break* |  |
| 4 | 10:30 | **Engaging Our Parish’s Future**  Mission; Vision; Values | Fr. Peter Baktis |
|  | *11:25* | *Brief Break* |  |
| 5 | 11:30 | **A New Look at Stewardship –** A Model for Small Parishes  Using pastor led small groups to change attitudes and transition from dues to a “stewardship model” | Fr. Steven Belonick  (via web) |
|  | *12:05* | *Group Photo* | *In Church - All* |
|  | *12:15* | *Lunch* | *All* |
| 5 | 1:00 | **Stimulating a Thirst for Charitable Ministry**  Collecting clothing and canned goods is a good start. Yet parishes with a bright future do more. | Paul Finley |
|  | *1:40 PM* | *Break* |  |
| 6 | 1:55 PM | **Leading Change** Six Tactics:  Start with YOU ⬥ Force Field ⬥ Coalition ⬥ Size transitions; ⬥ Ask Good??s ⬥ Focus | Joe Kormos |
|  | 2:45 | *Break* |  |
| 6 | 3:00 | **Parish Case Study:** Change atChrist the Savior Rockford IL; *(via web)* | Fr. J. Bannon |
| 6 | 3:45 | **33+ Years of Continuous Change:** Perspectives of a Priest’s Wife | Pv. M. Jannakos |
|  | 4:30 | **Change Workshop:** “Fix this Parish”  Breakout groups explore case studies; apply change tactics | Group |
|  | *5:15 PM* | *Vespers* | *Fr. Andrew* |
|  | *6:00 PM* | *Dinner* | *All* |
|  | *6:45 PM* | *Adjourn* |  |
|  | *7:45 PM* | *Reception @ Hampton Inn and Suites: Beer, wine, snacks, cheese…and… beer* | *All* |
|  | **Saturday July 14** | | |
|  | *8:30* | *Trisagion Prayers with Epistle and Gospel* | *Fr. Andrew* |
|  | 9:00 | **Report Back** Change Workshop groups | Joe Kormos |
| 7 | 9:30 | **Putting a Digital Face on Your Parish:** “We Found You Through Your Website”  Effective parish website tips ⬥ 3 steps to better parish images ⬥ Social media? | Ralph Sidway  (Via web) |
|  | *10:20* | *Break* |  |
|  | 10:35 AM | **Parish Identity Workshop:** Who Are We?  10 words to convey about your parish ⬥ Values ⬥ Overcome Stereotypes | Joe Kormos |
| 8 | 11:20 | **Closing Session**  Unfinished business; Update Leadership Principles ⬥ More on Grants | Joe Kormos et al |
|  | *12:15* | *Adjourn/box lunch* |  |