**SMALL GROUPS MINISTRY QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:**

Q: Where will Small Groups meet?

A: Some small groups meet in members’ homes, and some meet at Holy Martyrs Church.

Q: When will Small Groups meet?

A: Small groups will meet weekly, on different days of the week and at different times, based on the info that people provide on the registration forms as to their availability.

Q: Must I sign up for the entire year?

A: The “norm” is to sign up from November through May. However, since this ministry is new, it is perfectly fine to register, try out Small Groups, and decide whether it’s a good fit for you.

Q: If I sign up to “host” a small group in my home, am I the Small Group Leader?

A: No, one of the members assigned to your small group will be a trained leader who will lead the gathering and facilitate discussion. If you offer to “host”, you’re offering your home.

Q: How many people comprise a small group?

A: The minimum number of group members is 5, and the maximum number is 12.

Q: Are Holy Martyrs Small Groups open only to Holy Martyrs parishioners?

A: Yes, at least initially, the small groups are intended to unify and serve HM parishioners.

Q: What is the make-up of the small groups?

A: We currently have: Women’s, Family, Parents of Young Children, Married Couples, and Mixed Adults groups. We have groups which meet during PSR/Spirit to make it convenient for parents to attend a group. As we grow, we can add more specific groups.

Q: What if I don’t “click” with my small group and want to be moved to another group?

A: This situation would be appropriately and pastorally handled by Nancy Fiamingo, who is coordinating Small Groups.

Q: What topics will we be discussing?

A: The series we used for 2016-2017 were: “Prayer”, Resisting Happiness, and Eucharist: *Sacred Meal, Sacrifice, and Real Presence*. Topic for our 4 week Spring Series is TBD.

Q: Will our small group do anything beyond our weekly meetings?

A: Perhaps! **Serving** together at a HM or community event would be wonderful fruit to come from Small Groups. These kinds of options would be decided by individual small groups.