

Church of St. Patrick
Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)
Meeting Minutes
April 23, 2019

Attendees: Members: Jane Marie Rief, Demetri Zepeda, Joan Robertson, Rob Madden, Mary McCahey, Mary Sethre, Jan Preiner, Andrea Johnson, Tony Sporer
Staff: Father Brian (Pastor) and Cindy Reckinger (Parish Administrator)
Trustees: Judy Lemire

Prayer: The meeting opened with prayer.

I. Old Business:

Finance Council (FC) Update:

- A. March revenue was \$4000 above budget, but March was a 5-Sunday month.
- B. Sunday regular collections trend unfavorable at \$61,549 below last year.
- C. Accounts payable rose to \$76,000 and since March all accounts over 90 days have been paid.
- D. Principle and interest was paid April 13.
- E. Profit from the Family Fun Night, April 5 exceeded \$6000.
- F. Since the FC letter was mailed, around 5 parishioners have increased pledges.
- G. Tom Reiter has accepted the Chair position on the FC and Mary Sethre the secretary position.
- H. The PPC will start writing stewardship spotlight for bulletin.

Nomination update for the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) openings:

The motion was made to have 12-person Parish Council, motion passed

Catholic Service Appeal:

The parish has met 70% of their \$60,000 goal. A thermometer is posted in gathering space tracking progress.

Back to School Bash (BTSB):

St. Patrick's Church is willing to host backpack giveaway, but no funds available. There will be a final decision made regarding this event on May 9.

Inver Grove Heights parade:

Demetri will complete registration form.

II. New Business:

Father's photo on the wall next to Arch Bishop Hebda's photo.

A motion was made and passed. Father will supply photo.

Nominations and voting for Vice Chair position 2019 – 2020:

Voting will take place at May meeting.

Mass schedule for summer months:

Father proposed a quiet mass at 8:00 AM and regular mass at 10:30 AM. The council made a motion and passed.

We adjourned to rejoin the other commissions report out in Shamrock Hall at 8:15 PM.

III. Parish Commission Highlights:

- A. **Parish Life and Social Justice (PL&SJ):** 20 volunteers signed up for Higher Ground, volunteering twice a month. The backpack giveaway is on hold. The parish donated 35 hams to neighbors for Easter.
- B. **Worship Commission (WC):** Discussed Father Brian's proposed summer. Low attendance at Stations of the Cross. Holy Week decorations were great. Fine tuning the elimination of some Communion stations starting in May.
- C. **Faith Formation Commission (FFC):** There were 141 participants in the Easter Egg hunt. There will be summer stretch for adults, first date June 4th. There was discussion regarding fundraising opportunities.
- D. **Youth Advisory Committee (YAC):** They are planning summer stretch. There was discussion regarding Mission Trip 2020. The sale of stock is down. Please support the stock sale on April 27/28 and the Flower Sale on May 11/12. Thank you for all of your support.

PPC resume at 8:45 PM.

A PPC member presented power point presentation on proposed leadership structure for the Church of St. Patrick. Plan to review leadership guidelines with commissions in May. A PPC member will join commissions in May as well.

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 PM.