

**Parish Pastoral Council
Meeting Minutes
May 23, 2017**

NOMINATIONS:

The new council member, Chris Bravo and Jan Preiner were announced, with tremendous confidence in their contributions to the team. *Fred will serve as vice-chair, supplementing Terry's chair position & Ellen will be secretary.

FAMILY NIGHT:

Held Apr 28- more profit was generated than anticipated. It drew a diverse crowd, with supper provided; state-fair style donuts emitting an appealing aroma, fierce bean bag toss competition & an ice cream-making station hosted by the new Grandparent ministry group, which served 100 guests. The photo booth was an unusual addition. Face painting table posed the traffic jam, ie the artist was excellent but so thorough that the pace was slow. The silent auction was not well received, ie very little traffic at that booth & the couple nice items went for far below their value. Perhaps not the audience most receptive for a silent auction.

Big Thanks to Mary McCahey who coordinated this event & recruited many vendors who volunteered their time and donated their supplies to support this parish community building event. Next Year's date for a repeat of this event is Friday, April 6.

MILLINNEALS:

Fr. Bob tapped Jane Marie & Ellen to meet over summer 'vacation' with new parishioners Luke & Susan Harren who represent the millennial committee.

PARADE:

Terry and Ellen will meet over summer with all others interested in the IGH parade. Roy Gutzman has volunteered to, again this year, submit our application to the city. Sonny Willenbring is building a float to represent the parish. All will be welcome, per numerous bulletin announcements, to walk along side (if not inside) the float. He offered to build a float & donate all materials.

PARISH COMMUNICATIONS:

Jane Marie is plugging along, coordinating the Communications subcommittee (Mary, Andrea, Kayla & Ellen.) After interviewing a staff or ministry spokes-person, the approximately 300-word written blurb is emailed both to the interviewee and to the committee for approval before being submitted to Bryan for inclusion in our weekly bulletin.

GRANDPARENT MINISTRY:

Ellen updated on St Pat's grandparent ministry. Robust response to the 1st session held here. Diane Retter, well-equipped group facilitator, has struck a chord within our parish (& a couple non-members also attended the weekly 2 hour meetings for 6 weeks.) Grandparent ministry will meet over summer to plan an intergenerational prayer service, sometime before school resumes. Deacon John has agreed to preside.

MINISTRY FAIR:

Brenda announced the date of annual Fall Ministry Fair, Sept 30-Oct 1 and its theme: Bee all you can Be. Parish council will host a table, after each of the 3 weekend Masses, promoting interest in council and supporting parish life, in general. We'll sign up & confirm assignments at Sept. meeting. We are encouraged to introduce ourselves to our new music director/liturgist Kim Thompson who officially joins our team Aug. 7