

Church of St. Patrick
Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)
Meeting Minutes
February 26, 2019

Attendees: Members: Jane Marie Rief, Demetri Zepeda, Joan Robertson, Rob Madden, Tony Sporer, Mary Sethre, Jan Preiner, Chris Bravo
Staff: Father Brian (Pastor) and Cindy Reckinger (Parish Administrator)
Trustees: Doug Fangmeier and Judy LeMire

Prayer: The meeting opened with prayer.

I. Old Business:

Update on Archdiocese Representative – The application has been turned in to the Archdiocese.

Finance Council (FC) update:

- A. Contributions down \$20,000 the month of February, continued concerned about revenue deficits. Contributions down \$50,000 from this time last year. How will we address?
- B. March 13th – once again paying monthly loan principle of \$30,063.99 and interest of \$12,000; the previous three months the bank allowed us to pay only the interest; There is \$12,000 in reserve will be used for this month's payment.
- C. The FC is looking for a chair and 3 new members. A PPC member will be invited to join the FC and act as a liaison.
- D. The FC will be working on budget soon.

Prayer cards for healing – The healing prayer cards have been placed in the church and adoration chapel's hymnals.

No soup suppers during lent, please attend SPY Fish Fry on March 8th.

Parishioner Participation Discussion from January

- A. A PPC member will be speaking with Father Brian regarding mass schedule.
- B. Small faith groups – A PPC member will bring this to Parish Life Commission.

Nominations for PPC openings

- A. Two PPC members will create a list of possible candidates and have them approved by Father Brian. The name will be drawn from a hat at the time of elections.

Progress on new PPC Bylaws and Leadership guidelines – Sub Committee

- A. Update on the progress – The PPC reviewed the bylaws and discussed a few minor changes.
- B. The sub-committee will continue to work on the Leadership Structure.

II. New Business:

- A. Ministry Fair volunteers scheduled for 03/30-03/31
- B. Catholic Service Appeal – updates will be posted in the bulletin as to the progress of goal. St. Patrick’s goal is \$60,283.00. Every parishioner is asked to turn in a commitment card. Remember the important goal here is 100% participation.

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

III. Parish Commission Highlights:

- A. **Parish Life and Social Justice (PL&SJ)**: February donations for travel size toiletries have been overwhelmingly generous. Invitations have been sent to all new parishioners, 35 have been sent. They will be introduced/recognized at the St. Patrick’s dinner.
- B. **Worship Commission (WC)**: Working on lent procession, keeping it solemn.
- C. **Faith Formation Commission (FFC)**: Pre-Lenten retreat and Mardi Gras celebration on March 3rd. // Sunday, March 10th, at 11:30 a.m. Rite of Election. // Stations of the cross will be Fridays at noon and 6:30 p.m. There are openings for someone to lead at the noon time slot.
- D. **Youth Advisory Committee (YAC)**: Fish dinner on March 8th. Also working on summer events and additional fundraising for the Mission Trip.
- E. **Finance Council (FC)**: Contributions are down \$50,000 from this time last year. Letters will be sent to move debt contribution to operating expenses. Another letter will be sent for those not currently giving to the debt reduction any more to consider contributing their past donated amount to operating above and beyond their current contribution.

Resumed at 8:30 p.m.

The PPC resumed discussion of the Leadership Structure. They will use the green guide book when matching ministries.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.