SS Peter and Paul Pastoral Council - Meeting Minutes

November 13, 2023

Attendees: Rev.Ted Jost, Deacon Carl Koester, Eileen Lyon, Lori Baker, Joe Burke, Robert Coutch, Sharon Keller, Warren Ristine, Katherine Nicaise-Steffen, Irene Stranz, Judy Shelley, Kevin Morgan, Mary Flanagan, Holly Stuart, Greg Jones, Joan Hagg

Excused: Rev. Jim Cuipek, Deacon Robb Ciezki, Dick Blake, Rachael Rizzo, Karin Dusza, Lauren (Ren) Gibson, Amanda Przyklek, Jenifer Golinski, Deacon Dennis Conroy, Don Wach, Leslie Brooks, Deacon Roy Dibb

Unexcused: None

The meeting was held in the Parish Meeting Room and was called to order by President Warren Ristine at 6:59 PM. Opening Prayer by Irene Stranz. The mission statement was read by all.

Motion to approve the amended September 2023 meeting minutes and October 16 by Joe Burke and second by Kevin unanimously approved. Amended September minutes noted corrections; the spelling of Coutch and McNichol were corrected.

Announcements

Warren welcomes Greg Jones to the Pastoral Council replacing Carrie. Warren announced that Adam resigned from the Pastoral Council and Joan Hagg has stepped up to replace Adam on the Council. Joan is welcomed to the Pastoral Council.

All members of the Council were introduced to the new members. New roster was handed out with new Council members' contact information.

Warren asked Father Ted about the request in the bulletin needing electricians and plumbers to clarify what is needed. Father Ted stated that the request needed is to provide additional help for the maintenance staff.

Warren reinforced the scam alert currently going on with Father Jim. A reminder to members not to disclose personal information. Eileen explained how sometimes you can identify the scams by the email address.

Warren announced that the December meeting will be at the rectory with light refreshments and a little holiday cheer. Meeting time is at 7 PM.

Old Business

Family of Parishes Road to Renewal minutes that are received have been passed on to Pastoral Council Members and Parishioners on the Family Pillars. Irene announced still no minutes from Stewardship. The Liturgy Family Pillar will meet on Thursday to discuss the removal of one of the weekend Mass among the Family. Also, confession and holiday time will be discussed. More info to come. Eileen asked in the Family Administration Pillar minutes it states that Father Jim asked for a halt in pillar meetings. Irene

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explained that the minutes are on pause as we get ready for advent. The Family Pillar meetings will resume after Christmas.

Opening Prayer is all filler per Irene except for June. Joan Hagg will cover June. It was explained in the meeting by Irene to the new members that the prayer can be something traditional or an original prayer. Eileen asked what the next phase called on the road to renewal. Irene looked it up in the handbook and we will be in the inauguration phase. This occurs at the end of the 6-month activation phase. It is not unusual that the pillars are in a continuation from the activation phase. Irene stated that she would submit a blurb in the bulletin, however is waiting for the Liturgy Family Pillar meeting results.

Father Ted spoke about the Men's group. The meeting was nice with good conversation. They meet on the first Wednesday of the month at 7 pm in the Parish meeting room.

Warren announced that the bankruptcy was coming to an end. It was announced in Church that we are looking at a 6 figure amount. It is unsure what our portion will be yet. It was asked if people were concerned. Father Ted stated he has not heard a lot from Parishioners;

New Business

Curb repair needed brought to the attention of the Council by Irene at the Saint Francis Entrance. Also, the curb needs to be repainted yellow to be more visual. Irene was concerned another Parishoner almost fell past weekend again. Father Ted shared that there is a maintenance form that gets filled out and sent to the rectory that will get to Kyle. Irene will contact Linda to file the claim.

Warren explained to the Council that the sub-committees can start working together and each needs to have a lead. Also, one member from each sub-committee will make up the selection committee.

Sub Committee Updates

Fellowship- No Report

Discipleship- Sharon reports 9 new Parishioners for welcome baskets. The project was welcomed by new Parishioners. Mary shared that one of the families she delivered to was an RCIA family and very thankful for the welcome gift.

Ministry Support- No Report

Procedures and Facilities- No Report

Judy shared that she noted the weekday Mass attendance has increased

Mary stated at St Francis there is a poster at the entrances with the Mass times of their family and perhaps this would be good for our Family. Irene will contact Janet on the Family Liturgy Pillar to make the request

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Deacon Carl shared that the RCIA has 16 participants in the program. Kevin applauded the accomplishments

It was shared by Joe Burke there are 4 from SSPP attending Life in the Eucharist to get trained for the Family as well as others from the Family

Reports

Irene shared that the school report went out late Monday from the SSPP School

Kathy talked about the garden club and how the kids are learning so many things like composting

Warren shared how the kids are reaching out to do deeds of good as part of the kindness club

For The Good of the Group

Mary spoke with Pat that he invited the ministries to pick a Sunday or Saturday for a time for their ministry to host a coffee social. Pat is willing to help but only the school responded per Pat. None of the members of the Council received the email mail. Irene will contact Pat to resend an invitation

Eileen reminded Council social was also an opportunity for Ministeries to promote and recruit

Mary added that we need to encourage our groups to talk to someone that do not know and welcome them

It was suggested at Council that the Pastoral Council host a social in the hall in January after the children's Mass. Irene will contact Janet to get dates and reports at the December meeting.

Rob stated that he is working with Sr.Louise on the Alpha program offering his knowledge and expertise to our Diocese.

Motion made to adjourn by Warren, first by Lori second by Judy at 7:53 PM

The Renewal Prayer was read by All

Next Pastoral Council meeting December 11, 7 PM at the Rectory with light refreshments and holiday cheer

Opening Prayer Kevin Morgan

Respectfully Submitted,

Irene Stranz

Pastoral Council Secretary