

SS Peter and Paul Pastoral Council - Meeting Minutes

April 8, 2024

Attendees: Rev. Ted Jost, Joe Burke, Sharon Keller, Warren Ristine, Katherine Nicaise-Steffen, Irene Stranz, Kevin Morgan, Greg Jones, Joan Haag, Deacon Roy Dibb, Deacon Carl Koester. Lori Baker, Holly Stewart, Eileen Lyons, Rob Coutch

Excused: Rev. Jim Cuipek, Deacon Robb Ciezki, Rachael Rizzo, Karin Dusza, Lauren (Ren) Gibson, Amanda Przyklek, Jenifer Golinski, Deacon Dennis Conroy, Don Wach, Judy Shelley, Mary Flanagan, Leslie Brooks

Unexcused: None

The meeting was held in the Parish meeting room and was called to order by President Warren Ristine at 7:00 PM. Opening Prayer by Joe Burke. The mission statement was read by all.

The motion to approve the March 2024 meeting minutes by Deacon Roy and the second by Robb was unanimously approved.

Announcements

Warren announced that business manager Don Wach will be retiring on July 1, 2024 –the position has been posted. Father Ted shared that this person will do the books for SSPP as well as Saint John. There will also be a business manager for the family as well in the future. Father Ted shared there have been many candidates who submitted their applications.

The Next social will be Sunday, May 19 after the 9:30 mass sponsored by the Altar and Rosary Society in honor of the deceased members of the Altar and Rosary Society.

New Business

None

Old Business

Irene stated that the selection committee is reaching out to individuals as possible candidates for the Council. There are 2 seats to fill. The mass for the selection will take place on May 19 mass time is undetermined at this time. Father Ted has 2 names to submit and Irene will follow up with the lead.

Sharon shared that the books from Dynamic Catholic that were given by the Pastoral Council on Divine Sunday were not all picked up by parishioners. Sharon voiced her surprise that previous years were all gone. The book coincides with the Eucharist Miracle display that was just displayed during Lent in the back of the church and the Life in the Eucharist put on by the Family Spiritual Pillar. Kevin stated the Eucharist Congress coincides with the timing of the book was distributed. Joan states how well it went with the Eucharist Miracle display.

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Formed clarification researched with Don, Irene shared that Nativity has a subscription and SSPP has a separate subscription. At the time of renewal of the subscription, Family Formed was not an option only by the individual parish.

Family Road to Renewal Parishes Irene reminded all as family pillar plans are shared they are preliminary plans. All plans must be approved by the Pastor. Irene hopes as plans are approved they are communicated to the Family by the Pastor. Sharon Keller has stepped off the administration family pillar. Irene and Joe Herrmann will cover as needed. Joe Burke shared that the spiritual family pillar is getting ready to start Life in the Eucharist. There will be babysitting, but they are not sure how many will attend. Joe is asking for help from the Pastoral Council to donate snacks and desserts. They can be dropped off before the meeting at 7:00 PM. Rob shared that if SSPP ever does Alpha he is willing to help since he is trained in the process.

Sharon asked are we going to have a retirement party for Don or celebrate our feast day mass in his honor or at the Pastoral Council picnic. Eileen stated that Dick will approach Don what he would like. Eileen will follow up with Dick what is being decided and will report back. Sharon suggested a gift perhaps from the Council.

Subcommittee Updates

Kathy shared that the fellowship sub-committee is looking at the picnic on June 30. Currently working on catering with Eden Seafood. They will be meeting next Monday.

Discipleship sub-committee Sharon shared that we have 7 new parishioners/families. Deacon Carl shared that one of the new parishioners is a new convert from Easter Vigil, and his parents are not Catholic. This information will be passed on to whoever delivers their welcome new parishioner basket.

The Ministry support sub-committee is finishing up updating the ministry contact information that will be shared with Don to update the handbook. As the list is updated the ministry card in the envelopes will also be updated.

Eileen asked those who give online, how the system allows a parishioner to increase their donation if they choose to give more. Irene will ask Don and follow up at the next meeting.

Eileen suggested perhaps a tear-off from the bulletin like the ministry card so parishioners can get more information on a ministry or get involved. They could drop it off in the collection basket. Irene will create something. Kevin suggested that each ministry give a short write-up of what they do that could be presented to new parishioners. Joan commented that before COVID ministries shared what they offered at a new parishioner orientation. Interest was lost when parishioners could register online.

Warren stated that when we have a family website more information would be available to offer parishioners what is available at each of the parishes within the family.

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Irene will email the ministries to get a written summary of their ministry of 3-5 lines. Sharon agreed to make a worksheet for the parish of the info gathered.

Warren reported the building update and asked when the inside of the church would be done. Father Ted said waiting for spring to paint in case there is more rain damage.

Sharon asked about the paths in the cemetery and the curb in front of the Saint Francis Entrance still not fixed. Warren will follow up with Kyle.

Kathy mentions that the church seems brighter. Father Ted shared that light bulbs are being addressed and replaced.

Kathy noted that the Elizabeth ministry name will be changing. Elizabeth refers more to the babies or women who have lost a child.

Standing Reports

no issues

Good for Parish

Sharon commented having the Rosary said by the various groups was a nice addition to Good Friday.

Rob thanked the Council for addressing the need to help the priests set up especially on Saturday when they are limited with time coming from confessions to say mass.

Kathy reminded the Council that April 14 is the chicken Barbeque for the social ministry. If anyone wants to bring deserts please drop them off in the social center gym after 9:30 mass.

Father Ted suggested as we move as a family that perhaps we consider a family picnic in the future.

Motion made to Adjourn Joan first, Kevin second. The closing prayer was said with a prayer of intention that Judy would recover soon from her surgery and that her prognosis would continue to be positive by all and conclude that evening. at 8:00 PM.

Next Pastoral Council meeting **May 13**, 7 PM at the Parish Meeting Room

Opening Prayer – Kathy Nicaise-Steffen

Respectfully Submitted,

Irene Stranz

Pastoral Council Secretary