



Parish Pastoral Council Minutes

Thursday, April 20, 2017

7:00 - 8:00 PM

Present:	Phil Schmidt (Chair) Fr. Maurice Okolie Fr. Thomas Reddy Basani Susie Sirman (Liturgy Committee) Megan Findlay (Youth) Marieta Paul (Sacramental Prep, School Liaison & Music ministry) Stan Lozinski (Knights) Dennis Woytas (RCIA) Ginny Blerot (CWL) Nicole Schoenberger (HFP Office Administration) Bill Van Hoof (Maintenance) Erin Cloutier (Vice Chair & Stewardship) Gary Hutnan (Ministries Liaison)
Regrets:	

1. **Call to order** – Phil
2. **Opening prayer** – Fr. Maurice
3. **Adoption of March 26, 2017 minutes**
 - Stan moved that the minutes be adopted, seconded by Bill, motion carried.
4. **Old business** – Review action items and decisions from March Minutes
 - 4.1. **Sound system in the hall**
 - Lance came in to service the sound system. It seems to be working, with the exception of minor glitches or user error.
 - 4.2 **Sale of the Piano**
 - The piano has been sold for \$300, pending the family finding a way to transport it.
 - 4.3 **Audio visual upgrades**
 - We haven't been able to proceed with a strategy or timeline because we don't actually have a quote for *our* building.

- We are unsure whether there are any other pressing measures to be taken in the meantime if the AV project is tabled (e.g. redoing the duo-tangs, extending the sound from the Hall into the Welcoming Area)
- The AV sub-committee is meeting with Mike Abrianic (Project Lead at Good Shepherd) on April 27th, 2017 to determine if there is a way to get a reliable needs assessment or estimate without incurring much cost to us
- In the meantime, if we delay the AV, we still have the option of using new music by distributing photocopied lyrics.

5. New business

5.1. Distribute PPC Constitution.

- The Parish Pastoral Council Constitution that was drafted in June 2015 was distributed. Council members are asked to review it prior to the next meeting.

2. Pastoral Team

- In order to avoid disruption when there is a change to the pastoral staff, (especially when a priest is moved quite suddenly to or from the parish) a Pastoral Team has been established. The Pastoral Team includes Fr. Thomas, Maurice Beier, Nicole Schoenberger, Noëlle Pottle, Gary Hutnan, Laura Callbeck, and Phil Schmidt. The purpose of this Team is to help establish continuity and support the parish priest(s).
- It is important that the Pastoral Team include both members that are in paid positions in the parish, and those that serve as in a volunteer capacity.
- The Pastoral Team is studying the book Divine Renovation by Fr. James Mallon, and recently traveled to Saskatoon to meet with a parish that has an active Pastoral Team to discuss how to implement this in an effective way
- Topics discussed include the purpose of the Pastoral Team, who should be a part of the team, what they have been able to accomplish so far, and what they should continue to work towards. They also discussed how the Pastoral Team differs in role and mission from the PPC.
- They are continuing to work as a team to study the resources and have found it to be very valuable. Copies of the book will be available for members of the Council or other Ministry Leads who are interested.

3. Archdiocesan restructuring in parishes.

- During Fr. Maurice's meeting with the Archbishop, His Grace indicated that there would be some restructuring in parishes that may affect our community
- We will await a final decision from the Archdiocese before discussing next steps, and the Pastoral Team will work to identify areas of particular need in the parish to ensure that we are appropriately staffed.

- Restructuring may cause some insecurity expressed by parishioners. It is even more important that we continue to have a strong and visible Parish Pastoral Council.

6. Next meeting – Wednesday May 24th, 2017

6.1. Closing prayer for next meeting – Marieta