



Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) Meeting Minutes

Date: March 8, 2022

Time: 7:00pm

Location: In Person and Zoom

Attendance notes: None

Presider	Teri Asiala					
Note Taker	Teri Asiala					
PPC Members	Amos, Matthew	X	Asiala, Teri	X	Brewster, Robyn	X
	Capecchi, John	X	Coelho, Sonya		Heasley, Marymartha	X
	Schmidt, Amy		Nance, John	X	Rivera, Lourdes	
Parochial Administrator	Connelly, Fr. Joe	X				
Administrator	Farrell, Denny	X				
Trustees	Larson, Greg		Pitts, Sue	X		
Guests/Staff						

Agenda Topics

Meeting Opening

Teri opened the meeting with a prayer

Marymartha moved to approve the February 2022 minutes; John N seconded. February minutes were approved by all.

Parishioner Comments: None

New Business:

- Welcome to our newest member Jim Cady!



- Teri introduced and then Father reviewed the following 5 objectives for the PPC and Finance Council for 2022-2023:
 1. Evangelization (increase membership)
 2. Education of the faith for Adults and Young people
 3. Evaluating the pastoral success of all programs and committees
 4. Provide advice on how to improve parish programs
 5. Reach out to people of the parish and promote their talents and gifts
 - We will schedule a joint meeting with the Finance Council to begin brainstorming these objectives and building a plan to accomplish our goals. Teri will reach out to the Finance Council with the dates of March 31 and April 12 for possible meetings.
- Openings on PPC (Adult and Teen) – on hold for now so we can focus on the above objectives and decide what an effective number of PPC members is
- Open Chair Position – Teri will remain interim chair for now as we work on the above objectives.
- Long Range Strategic Plan will be on hold so we can focus on the above objectives and determine if any tweaks are needed to the LRSP.

8:10 Old Business

- Kindness Initiative – PPC reviewed an email from Anne Erickson regarding the Kindness Initiative. PPC agrees with the need for kindness and wants to be supportive but needs a better understanding of the support that Health and Wellness is requesting. We have a GA process in place with phases (initiation, feasibility, development, launch and review) for new ministries that have been used in the past. An example is Baking for a Purpose. Should we require this process to be utilized? Father Joe will follow up with Anne and share the form for initiation of a new Ministry.
- Synod Update – several PPC members and a Trustee (Teri, Amy, Lourdes, Sue) participated in a very fruitful day (3-5-22). Many good suggestions were provided for both GA and the Archdiocese. Additional information will be provided soon by Denny and Dean Rademacher who facilitated the session. Many of the suggestions for GA dub tail very well with Father's list of objectives above. Father needs two volunteers to accompany him to the Archdiocese event at RiverCenter on June 4-6. Robyn volunteered so need one more.
- Deanery representative – still looking for someone to replace Cami. Commitment will be one meeting a month.
- St Kate's Discipleship Program – Robyn reported that she and Amy are attending the classes and meeting with a diverse group of 10 people from the parish. They have decided that parish unity is the goal they want to work towards. Next step is to determine how to utilize the financial resources from the grant to achieve unity at GA. Robyn and Amy will meet with Father Joe to further discuss.

Parochial Administrator Report

- Mass counts have been steadily increasing other than when terrible weather. Ash Wednesday had very good turnout with 300 at the noon Mass.
- Liturgy Commission is doing planning for Lent and Triduum Masses



Administrator Report

- Stewardship Campaign/Budget:
Denny reported that although we are running \$34,000 under budget for the 35 weeks since the start of our fiscal year (July 1), he is not too concerned with our situation. We have lost parishioners but new parishioners have joined to close the gap. The budget may need to be cut by \$50,000 annually.
Denny will be proposing to split the operating budget into two parts – July 1 to Dec 31 to coincide with the 2022 calendar year stewardship drive and from Jan 1 to June 30th to coincide with 2023 stewardship drive which will take place in October.
- Fish fry dates have been set for March 11, 25 and April 8. Good volunteer support so far although levels of ordering for the March 11 session are down so far.
- Capital projects:
 - The new pole shed framing will begin 3-28 and should take a week or so and then service work can begin to complete the shed
 - Just a note that because of the weather last Sunday the plate collection for CCEFS was low so Denny will be offering another collection to boost this up. Also we need to make it clear to all parishioners that they can donate to specific plate collections and programs using the online tool. All plate collections have been running behind because of Covid including JOC and our Capital requests.

Commission Reports

- Teri reported that the Stewardship Commission is reinstating the New Parishioner dinner and brunch.
- Denny reported that we will start putting up teasers and save the date banners regarding an all GA event on May 21-22

Adjournment

Father led us in the Glory Be prayer.

Action Items – indicated by underlining above