



Joint Pastoral Council Minutes ~ October 21, 2017 Queen of Angels

Pastoral Council Members

Fr. Dennis Robb, *Pastor*

Cathy Wiswell, *Regional Administrator*

Fr. Leonardo Pestano, *Parochial Vicar*

Julie Fisher, QA, *Chairman*

Ray Daignault, SJ

Kathy Gonzales, QA

Regina McGovern, QA

Michael McNulty, SJ

Harley Robinson, QA

Tom O'Donnell, QA

Jacquelyn Witte, SJ, *Secretary*

Pastoral Council Members Absent:

Per Saelid, SJ Ken Berkes, SJ

Emilie Thornton, QA Mike Flynn SJ

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Julie Fisher at 9:30 AM. There was one guest, Janice Robinson

I. Opening Prayer Ray Daignault led the opening prayer.

II. Parishioner Comments

A. A parishioner offered to check the Queen of Angels sound system. The offer is appreciated but the work is already being done.

B. The door to the St. Anne Room is malfunctioning. It works! The button is turned on as needed and those setting up the room will be shown how to do this.

C. A long time St. Joseph's parishioner expressed appreciation for all the educational opportunities available such as Alpha, Revelation Bible Study, Wild Goose and others.

III. Approval of Minutes The September minutes were accepted as written.

IV. Old Business

A. Appreciation Dinner

Friday October 27 at 6 PM. Pastoral Council will set up the tables in the Queen of Angels gym at 3 PM. A pot roast dinner will be served and a gift will be presented to each ministry leader.

B. T shirt sales

Wear your joint parish t-shirt if you have one. More shirts will be ordered and some will be available at the dinner. They are \$10 each.

C. Commissions

The Commission structure will be promoted at the Appreciation Dinner. Mike Flynn submitted a report on the School Commission. Cathy Wiswell gave pastoral council liaisons the names of persons who indicated interest in a Commission on their Stewardship form. She also handed out

the policy for requests for parishioner contact lists and the Commission/Committee Report Form. There will be a thank you to all involved in ministries in the bulletin. The Liturgical/Lay Ministry meetings went well with about 95% in attendance.

D. Pastoral Council Goals

1. Catechesis

2. Apologetics Father Robb suggests the Evangelization Committee might get Apologetics going and then turn over to a separate committee. He feels this is Faith Formation rather than just Evangelization and the aim of the commissions is co-ordination rather than separate groups

3. Community Fellowship These include the picnic, appreciation dinner, and county fair kitchen operation. Emilie is on the Fair Board and Julie will check with her if we want to continue this involvement next year.

The Pastoral Council needs to see that that the Commissions are meeting needs and goals. Father reminded the council that this will take some time but he hoped to have the commission system functioning by the end of the year. The pastoral council liaison should gather people, develop a leader of the commission and the chairperson of the commission should then make the reports to the council. Julie will develop an information sheet to give to attendees at the appreciation dinner. It will include a list of Pastoral Council liaisons, the Commissions and the groups and organizations under each.

E. Picnic

The picnic turned out well with only a little rain to dampen things. Tom and the Knights did a did a great job. 350 people were served. The food, games and karaoke were excellent. Julie has a picnic report that will be used to make decisions on future picnic preparations.

V. New Business

A. 600 copies of the book “The Real Story: Understanding the Big Picture of the Bible” by Edward Sri and Curtis Martin will be gifts handed out at Christmas Masses this year.

B. There will be no business meeting in December. On Friday December 1 at 5 PM Julie hosts a pot luck at her home. Bring a side dish or a dessert.

VI. Pastor’s Comment With growth there is always some awkwardness. This new Commission process is intended to improve the exchange of information.

The Archbishop is disbanding the Archdiocese Conference of Catholic Women for at least two years. Water for Life funds will go directly to Catholic Relief Services. The only other ACCW project was the Mass cards for Seminarian Aid.

VII. Harley Robinson is the Prayer Person for the next meeting,

Saturday November 18 at 9:30 AM in St. Joseph Parish Hall.

Action Item: Each Liaison turn in a report for the next meeting. We could have reports from Mike Flynn (QA School Commission) and possibly Cory MacDonald, the new principal and/or Mike Acheson (Religious Education)

VIII. Father Robb gave the Closing Blessing.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:50 AM

Respectfully submitted by Jacquelyn Witte, Recording Secretary