

## Pastoral Council Meeting

April 20, 2016

Attendance: Rosemary Berube, Ken Conti, Bob Dorion, Cheryl Follien, Fr. Marc, Sal Gioe, Kathy Garon, Belinda Hamel, Dan Hebert, Chris Hurni, Rick leather, Deacon Bill

Unable to attend: Deb Fitzgerald, Nick Sarbanis

Opening Prayer: Fr. Marc

Meeting began 7:08 pm

Reviewed the minutes of the last meeting; Minutes were accepted as presented

### Old Business

- Parish office update: No changes anticipated due to summer hours (July & August). Staff stepped up to pick up Kay's work. Due to this savings in funding staff, the hot water boiler which has been broken for three weeks, has been replaced. The system is still being flushed, and will be ready by this Friday. The cost of the replacement was \$15,000.00.
- PR person: The hours for this position will be Monday –Thursday 12:00 pm to closing at 4:00 – 5:00 pm. It is thought that this person can get their functions (bulletin, website development, PR) done in that time frame as the office is very quiet in the afternoon. Although this position will not be filled until the Fall, there will be advertising during the summer months.
- Professional Volunteers; Fr. has had an initial conversation with one identified volunteer and Kathy Garon has another possible candidate who might be interested. She will contact that person first to see if they might be interested.
- Census: This weekend cards will be placed in the pews. It will be followed by a second week in house census. After the completion of the in house collection postcards will be sent to all registered families at St. Anne. Those parishioners can return the card or register on the website. After a period of time the last post cards will be sent. This final card will state that if they do not register they will be removed from the rolls. It will also say that St. Anne Parish will not intrude any further and will not contact them again. There was a discussion on the fees from the Diocesan office based on the number of registered household. This was followed by how best to collect

and store data using “search monkey “, It appears this would prove more useful when collect sacramental and religious education info rather than basic info.

- Faith Formation meeting. This meeting will include not only programming but scheduling and the effective use of space throughout the facility.
- Terry Sullivan has been assigned to St Anne for his Diaconate practicum. He will have to complete two assignments. One project he will focus on is the consolidation of scheduling using a web based system. The second has yet to be identified. I, on behalf of the Parish Council will be sending Terry a card expressing are excitement and gratefulness that he has been assigned to St. Anne.
- Food Bank news: Cooking Matters has been scheduled at St Anne Parish as a first step in aiding people who need assistance with understanding; nutrition, food prep; food shopping. The first announcement has been placed in the bulletin. Ultimately there is the hope that some of those who will go through this training will receive a certification in “Food Safety”. This certification will help them in gaining employment. Jim Carey will be one of the teachers.
- Bereavement Support group will be meeting once a month on Thursdays from 1:30pm to 3:00pm
- Food Bank: Saint Anne has received two bids for the expansion of the Garages; the estimated cost is \$50,000.00 dollars. A few questions need to be answered; 1) how to manage the septic system, 2) fund raising is needed to meet the costs. This fund drive should include other religious community in the area.
- Van is still running but won’t pass inspection this coming January. Suggestions of contacting dealerships (Merchants Auto) were discussed. Need to have someone dedicated to the follow up.

New Business (Add to calendar: desires, needs, wants)

- Eli beginning a book club. Group will meet once/month and will include facilitators such as Gerry, author on book of creation, or Mike Shea, author of George Washington.
- Breakfast outreach, included a breakfast and a play (very moving). Breakfast was held for women of the community and invited guests. Helps to build up community.
- Former Saint Anne dinners and dances held at Granite Rose and Sawyers.

- Become an extension of Catholic Charities with outreach to the addicted and their families.
- Continue Senior Socials.
- Invite speakers of the following
  1. John Paul II, Theology of the Body
  2. Parent workshops and support
  3. Marriage and support
- Prayer group: Will develop in God's time. Life in the Spirit has started on Thursday nights
- Men of Saint Joseph will be starting up. This group is strictly spiritual and is not in conflict with the Knights of Columbus.
- Outdoor Mass is scheduled for June 4<sup>th</sup> and there will be one in September.

Closing prayer by Deacon Bill

Meeting ended at 8:55pm

Next meeting held on May11th

Respectfully submitted by

Cheryl Follien

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