

Pastoral Council Meeting Notes

12/10/2014

Attendance: Fr. Marc, Ken Conti, Sal Gioe, Kevin Sullivan, Robert Messier, and Cheryl Follien and Terry Sullivan present for the Social

Meeting began in earnest at 8:30pm. (Thank You Father for your Hospitality!)

Ken Sullivan opened with a prayer as this is the last meeting prior to his move to Massachusetts.

- Fr Marc reviewed the progress made by the Music Ministry as they have started to implement many of the requested changes identified in the book "Rebuilt". They can look at the liturgy and set the music so it is organic which not only enhances the liturgy but now allows the "Hampstead Harry" to sing. This ministry has hired a voice coach for an evening so they might better use their talents.
- Ken created the new altar and with Paul's help installed the altar. Final color has not been chosen.
- The following was discussed prior to Christmas Mass: Need to play music a half hour prior to the beginning of Mass (welcoming); Distribute Eucharist under one species (Bread); Greeters need to be welcoming and assist people in finding a seat as well as thank people for their attendance while handing out a candy cane. A "to DO" list was sent to Fr. Marc on Dec. 11th as requested.
- Request Paul to find the French Doors for the church. Would make church proper more reverent. Unclear if the doors are still at St. Anne.
- Discussion of the need for new council members. The following names were mentioned: Dan Hebert; Steven Rizzo and Tanya Weed. It was agreed that Eli should be in attendance to council meetings. Discussion of a discernment committee who would have the responsibilities of "interviewing" the candidates and making recommendations. An announcement in the bulletin and from the altar might help the process along.
- Discussion on Faith Formation resulted in the need to "build from the ground up" too disjointed. Fr. Marc will take up the work after this year as

it will take time and thought. The Faith Formation staff will meet with the council as needed.

- To begin the education of discipleship and what it takes to become a disciple, a retreat will be held for the Heads of the Ministries between Ascension Thursday and Pentecost.

Meeting ended at 9:30pm

Respectfully submitted by

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