

Prince of Peace Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

August 22, 2017

Attendees: Fr. Gerald Walsh, Tim Popp(chairperson), Rich Elmore(vice-chairperson), Jeanne Gundrum(secretary), Dave Ingram, Chris Angelo, Lisa Weideman, Ellen Wing, Mike Milostan, Norb Pozen, Robert Fitzpatrick, Mary Dubicki, Liz Schoenke

Absent: Thomas Even, Anmarie Andresen, Ann Fahey

- A. Meeting opened by Tim Popp at 7:00 pm. Opening Prayer by Rich Elmore.
- B. June minutes reviewed and time for Ministry fair planning committee was changed to 6pm. Also, Liz Schoenke did not meet with Norb and Mary, but Father Gerald did attend this meeting. Jeanne will make this correction and send the minutes to the parish office to be posted.
- C. Deanery Report-There has been no meetings over the summer.
 - a. There have been no meetings over the summer.
 - b. The next meeting will be at St. Raphael, but unsure of the date.
 - c. Rich has not received any emails about Deanery meetings.
- D. Ministry reports
 - a. Liturgy- email was sent about Ministry fair
 - 1. Robert visited the children's liturgy one Sunday, and discovered that there was only one adult with all of the kids. They need more volunteers. It was mentioned that we might have been shorthanded due to people vacationing in summer months and that we would see what would happen in the fall.
 - b. Spiritual life-no report
 - c. Formation/Education-no report
 - d. Pastoral Concerns-The Northern Illinois Food truck will be at POP on Sept. 9, 2017
 - e. Community Life-
 - 1. The next newcomers event will be Sept. 17
 - 2. Everyone is talking about the ministry fair
 - 3. Ellen called Raeann Fuller about the first session of Catholic Funeral Planning and the next session is scheduled for October 28 (looking at the a.m. for meeting time)
 - 4. Anmarie reported, via email, that Emails were sent out to all the Ministries Leaders of the Community Life Commission on June 4th to Save the dates, with a second reminder being sent on Aug. 21.
 - 5. She also reported that Knights of Columbus has changed leaders and the new leader is Barry Dowe. Chris will make sure that we have Barry's email was correct on our 2nd email communication.
 - 6. If the Ministry Fair Sub-committee needs assistance, let Anmarie know.
 - f. Parish Resources-volunteer needed to oversee the Evite system with current and correct emails. Liz volunteered.
- E. Pastors Report-Father Gerald
 - a. The couches in the Gathering space have been re-upholstered.
 - b. The Parish Hall is done. Kids will start using the space on August 23. This will also be used for overflow masses, especially on Christmas Eve.

- c. The Prince of Peace Icon has been completed and is currently hanging in the Gathering space. It will be placed on the wall above the Votive candles and will be blessed by Cardinal Cupich at the 60th Anniversary of the school.
 - d. On September 16, Cardinal Cupich will be here to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the school. Mass will be at 10, with a ceremony to follow. The question arose of needing security for parking, traffic, etc. Father Gerald will talk to a couple of police officers, who are parishioners. The Knights of Columbus Honor Guard will be there.
 - e. The new principal is settling in nicely and getting the lay of the land. She has a couple of ideas to bring to our schools and has started with reaching out to the park district about putting on plays.
 - f. Renew my Church
 - 1. survey was posted and are asking parishioners to take the time to answer the questions.
 - 2. The Pilot program started with a leadership training and PPC staff were present. It was not well run. Each parish team consisted of a priest and 3 staff. If the parish had a school, the principal and 2 of their staff were also in attendance. PPC school was represented. There will be another meeting for these teams on September 9 at St. Ignatius High School and then an open forum meeting on September 11. Once the teams start meeting regularly, they will rotate weekly...first week will be just the pastors, the next week will be pastors and teams. These will continue until November. At these forums, we should all throw out different scenarios to see how churches can work together or if they should just be combined.
 - 3. The Arch Diocese is sending inspectors to check the churches and Prince of Peace had an excellent inspection....Thank you, Miguel!
 - 4. Our area for Renew My Church will be called "The Lakes Region"
- F. Open Forum
- a. People love the anointing masses. They have been moved to the last Wednesday of the month. Another weekend anointing mass will be done again in a few weeks.
 - b. Home masses started last week. 4 have been scheduled and we still need to schedule 2 more.
 - c. Lakes High School has decided not host the spring/health expo in 2018, which is normally sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce.
- G. Fall Commission/Ministry
- a. The Fall Commission meeting will be on Saturday September 23. Doors will open at 8:30am, mass at 9 with a continental breakfast to follow. The meeting will start at 10am, led by Father Gerald and Tim. At the meeting, the ministry fair will be planned with ministry leaders. We will find out how PPC can help them and what we expect of them.
 - b. The Ministry Fair planning committee (Fr. Gerald, Norb, Mary, Liz) met on July 3 (Liz was absent). They toured the meeting rooms, counted tables and chairs and started discussing how the ministry fair would be laid out. The prime spot is the Gathering space and we talked about our 2 largest ministries...religious education and the school. For the rest of the layout, we also discussed arranging the ministries, like they are set up

- in the bulletin, and color coding their sections, to make it easier to find. It was also suggested to group the ministries by age.
- c. Norb also made a tri-fold of all the ministries, to say what they are about. We discussed using these as inserts into a bulletin, as well as handing them on hand at the ministry fair.
 - d. We were reminded that this is not a recruitment fair. We would like the ministries to have information available at the booth, that people can take away if they are interested in joining a ministry. PPC will also offer any sort of assistance, from helping to set up, to manning a booth. If ministries need help with supplies, they can get help from our office staff, too. The ministry reps should wear name tags and PPC will provide them. There should be at least 3 PPC members at all of the masses at this weekend.
 - e. Father Gerald will be having his next teaching mass at the end of October and plans to talk about the Ministry fair. There will also be announcements made at masses.
 - f. The Ministry Fair planning committee will meet again on Monday, August 28th at 7PM in the conference room.
- H. Meeting adjourned at 20:35pm, after closing prayer by Rich. The next PPC meeting will be September 19 at 7pm.

Submitted by Elizabeth Schoenke