

## Prince of Peace Pastoral Council Meeting

September 18, 2018

Attendees: Fr. Gerald, Rich Elmore (Chairperson), Mike Milostan (co-chairperson), Liz Schoenke (secretary) Michele Welch, Susan Hogan, Dan Kerkman, Chuck McFarlin, Joann Gorski, Kim Zurek, Ellen Wing, Mary Dubicki, Mike Wilson, Lisa Weideman, Dave Ingram

Absent: Thomas Even, Anne Fahey, Anmarie Andresen

1. Meeting opened at 7pm by Rich Elmore. Opening prayer by Liz Schoenke
2. August minutes were reviewed, approved and can be sent to the office.
3. Deanery Report-meeting held Sept. 12, 2018 at St. Gilberts
  - a. Bishop Alberto Rojas was named Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Chicago
    - i. Kim Zurek asked if the Bishop was always a Vicariate in Illinois and Fr. Gerald answered yes
    - ii. Ron Hicks is the Vicar General, which means that he is 2<sup>nd</sup> in charge of the Archdiocese
  - b. The Deanery would like to meet at Prince of Peace on March 13, 2019. Rich had not asked the office because he wanted approval from PPC...all agreed to let them have their next meeting here. Rich will talk to Barb to reserve the date and time.
    - i. It was asked if we supply things, such as snacks and drinks. Fr. Gerald said yes, but the office would pick up that cost.
  - c. 159 runners were at the Santa Maria 5K Run and walk that was held on Sept. 9, 2018. This event was held at St. Mary of the Lake Mundelein Seminary. This was their first 5K run.
  - d. The remainder of the Deanery meeting was discussion of the Pennsylvania and Florida Church reports. It was said that a lot of churches that weren't talking about what's been happening, are definitely talking now and putting plans into place to prevent it from happening again.
4. Rich takes a moment to thank everyone for taking care of the Fall Commission meeting during his absence. He also thanked everyone for their prayers and well wishes for his wife's surgery, which came out just fine.
5. Ministry Reports
  - a. Liturgy Commission-no report
  - b. Spiritual Life Commission (given by Chuck McFarlin)
    - i. Reboot, featuring renowned speaker and author Chris Stefanick, will be held on Oct. 11.
    - ii. It was discussed that it's crunch time for ticket sales. Susan Hogan got information to Prince of Peace Catholic school and they have sent it to all of the school families, as well and placed info on their website and Facebook page. Kim Zurek got the information to Carmel Catholic High School and they have done the same to get the info passed along.
      1. Mary Dubicki asked if we were able to get hard tickets to Carmel High School? Kim answered that the families and kids were directed to the Real Life Catholic website to purchase tickets. Then we all discussed

about Carmel families/students only having a week to buy tickets. Real Life Catholic will direct people to a parish to buy tickets. Did anyone know what parish they would be directed to? Chuck McFarlin answered that he would ask Joe Sepsey.

- c. Formation/Education Commission-no report
  - d. Pastoral Concerns Commission-
    - i. (Liz Schoenke received an email from Ann Fahey, asking to share the platform for the St. Vincent DePaul dinner hosts. Liz forgot all about this but is attaching the information to the email when she sends the minutes to the PPC.)
  - e. Community Life Commission
    - i. Parents of Little Angels report given by Chuck McFarlin. Laura Cicero, after 7 years, has stepped down as leader of this ministry. The new co-leaders of Parents of Little Angels are Amanda Stapleton and Jessica Criales. They are also starting a music program for the kids.
    - ii. Food drive and Make a Meal Ministry also have new leaders, Beth and Dana Patel. Judy and Chuck Tekampe have retired from leading these ministries.
  - f. Parish Resources Commission-no report
6. Fall Commission
- a. The Fall Commission meeting was held on Sept. 15 from 9am -11:15am(ish)
  - b. Fr. Gerald thanked everyone for taking care of the meeting without him.
  - c. Everyone thought it was a good turn out and a good meeting.
    - i. A Question was brought up at the Fall Commission Meeting of having signs to show where our bathrooms were. Susan Hogan brought it up again at the PPC meeting. Fr. Gerald replied that he thought that not having signs, forces our ushers and greeters to be more interactive with new parishioners and visitors.
  - d. Flocknote was discussed a bit more and how they will have a table set up to show people how to use Flocknote and FORMED.
  - e. PPC expressed appreciation to Cindy Nagelhout for her every Friday email that reminds parishioners of what's going on at Prince of Peace.
7. Ministry Fair
- a. The dates of the Ministry Fair are November 3 & 4. We had our first planning committee meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 4, 2018 from 7-8pm. The following decisions were made
    - i. The theme will remain the same: Pathway to our Ministries
    - ii. We asked Mike Wilson to reach out to the Knights of Columbus to help with donuts and drinks at the fair. It was also decided to put trays of about 2 dozen cookies into each of the other Ministry table rooms. The office will pay this cost.
    - iii. The layout from last year was looked over. PPC members will let ministry leaders know that they can request their table be moved to accommodate them.
    - iv. Many people mentioned last year that the signs were too small. Liz Schoenke sent her templates to Mary Dubicki who will redo/resize them.
    - v. The Ministry fair will be set up the same as last year. Ministry set up info will also be sent to the commissions.

- vi. We made sign up sheets for the ministries, so that PPC members will know what table they need to help at which mass.
- vii. We decided to start advertising the Ministry fair during the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of October. We will ask Cindy to use the same template from last year, for the bulletin. Liz will ask her to make it larger and change the date.
- viii. An announcement needs to be written and this will be delivered before all masses (like Ministry of the Week) during the weekend of October 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. Michele Welch volunteered to write the announcement and will send to Fr. Gerald and Rich Elmore for approval. The following people will read the announcement at the following masses:

Sat. Oct. 20 5:00pm mass-Liz Schoenke

Sun Oct. 21 7:30am mass-Ellen Wing

9:30am mass-Richard Elmore

11:30am mass-Michele Welch

8. Pastor's Report (given by Fr. Gerald)

- a. The School Golf Outing Fundraiser has the highest number of golfers, ever. The Valley Ridge Golf Course in Antioch has closed out the public since they only have room for the golfers from the school. Golf Balls are bought for \$20 (benefiting the school for their new entry) and will be dropped from an airplane (courtesy of Fr. Adam) onto the golf course. The ball nearest the hole or in the hole will win \$2500.
- b. This Sunday, Sept. 23, is Seminarian Sunday. Prince of Peace will be a teaching parish, again, for seminarians. We will have 3 assigned to us. Larry (who will be with us for only ½ a year and then will finish his assignments in the Holy Land), Lucio Lopez and Jared K
- c. Renew My Church is still continuing and the Diocese is putting together a workshop at Rosemont, on October 3. Our meetings with the diocese are mostly about how PoP can enhance our evangelization. We are leaps and bounds ahead of other parishes. This will benefit us, as most of our work is done and we can just listen and learn. We are in Phase 5 of the transformation.
  - i. St. Bede's and St. Peter's are now Our Lady of the Lakes St. Bede's campus or St. Peter's campus. The school will retain the name St. Bede's Catholic School.
- d. New Parishioner Sundays are going well. These are held 3 or 4 times a year and it's a chance for new parishioners to meet and greet the priests, office staff, PPC members and some ministry leaders. The next one is this Sunday and the Ministry Fair will be pushed at this New Parishioner Meet & Greet.
- e. We have 30 new families at the school and the highest number of kids enrolled in school, in Fr. Gerald's time here at Prince of Peace. Additional teacher aides were hired to help handle the additional amount of students.
- f. The parish will be giving a more detailed financial report this year. In the past, they have done a summary in the bulletin. This year, the financial report will be discussed in more depth and detail, at masses.
- g. An Anointing Mass will be held on Saturday October 13. Ministers of Care will try to bring their homebound in to church, for the anointing and then breakfast.

- h. On October 14, Fr. Christian Shiu will celebrate mass. He already surprised the school kids and celebrated mass with them last Monday. Fr. Christian is an associate pastor at St. Gilbert's Catholic Church in Grayslake.
  - i. Bishop Mari Bartosic will celebrate the 2018 Confirmation mass on Saturday, Oct. 20.
  - j. Catholic Charities is awarding Prince of Peace with their Building Bridges Award for all of the work and help Prince of Peace has given.
  - k. The Dentist office has a new name...The Cenacle, which means the Upper Room. We are in the process of having a sign made by Larry Basbas. PoP is also contacting the Archdiocese and the city of Lake Villa, to let them know how we are using this building, so that we don't have to pay taxes.
  - l. We discussed moving the PPC meetings from the room in the school, to one of the meeting rooms in the church. We all agreed to move.
  - m. The Archdiocese asked all parishes to choose a lay person who show dedication to the church and its ministries. Prince of Peace chose Chuck McFarlin and he will be honored at Holy Name Cathedral on October 7.
9. Open Forum
- a. Kim Zurek mentioned that she saw a school bus with the name St. Bede's Catholic School and that it had temporary plates. She was confused, thinking that the name should have read Our Lady of the Lakes, but Fr. Gerald explained that the school will retain the name St. Bede's Catholic School.
  - b. Ellen Wing asked what St. Peter's was planning with their old school. Fr. Gerald replied that they are using it for meetings and church events, and was even rented out for other events.
10. Meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm and closing prayer was said by Liz Schoenke. The next meeting will be held on October 16 and prayers will be said by Kim Zurek.

Minutes done by Liz Schoenke  
(secretary)