

Prince of Peace Pastoral Council Meeting

May 21, 2019

Attendees: Dan Kerkman (vice-chairman), Liz Schoenke (secretary), Father Gerald, Chuck McFarlin, Mary Recktenwald, Mike Wilson, Susan Hogan, Michele Welch, Anne Fahey, Mary Dubicki, JoAnn Gorski

Absent: Mike Milostan (chairman), Dave Ingram, Kim Zurek, Alan Lacson

1. Meeting opened at 7pm with opening prayer led by Michele Welch
2. April minutes were approved and can be sent to the office.
3. Deanery Report-Given by Liz Schoenke
 - a. Meeting was held in Lake Zurich and Liz Schoenke attended in Dan Kerkman's place
 - b. The Archdiocese feels that seminarians should have an extra year of school to study spirituality more in depth.
 - c. Pertaining to the Sexual offense scandals, all information and names have been turned into the District Attorney. Most information will be publicized but not the names of people who were accused and are now deceased.
 - d. The Archdiocese held a Woman of the Year ceremony, but only 4 parishes participated.
 - e. The Archdiocese would like all parishes to get their emergency plans into place.
 - f. The next meeting will be on September 11, 2019, at St. Gilbert Parish
4. Ministry Reports-
 - a. Liturgy Commission-no reports given
 - b. Spiritual Life Commission-no reports given
 - c. Pastoral Concerns-report given by Mary Recktenwald
 - i. St. Vincent De Paul received a donation from the PoP Kindergarten class, from their lemonade stand. They raised over \$500 and requested that St. Vincent De Paul use their donation to purchase a food pantry truck.
 - ii. The next community dinner will be held on June 9 at 3:30pm
 - iii. St. Vincent de Paul will have a fundraiser on Sept. 29 at Mickey Finn's
 - d. Formation/Education-report given by JoAnn Gorski
 - i. ASPIRE testing completed for 3rd-8th grade. The State visited on April 29th for review. Went well. We will be eligible to apply for Blue Ribbon, starting next year. Testing results must meet a certain criteria in order for us to successfully apply. The planning process will start this summer after the test results are assessed.
 - ii. State of the School was on May 15, 2019
 - iii. New President of school board-Jennifer Meeks
 - iv. Community Playground Build (July 5 & 6) Could use as many hands as we can to help. Playground expansion, fitness structure, new base, borders
 - v. 4th-8th grade 1:1 Chromebook strategy in place. Entire campus is now WiFi accessible to students and staff
 - vi. Digital check-in/out for main school entrance (extended care) scheduled to begin in fall
 - vii. Athletics looking for new board members for next year, please contact: Christine Meincke for more information. athleticdirector@princeofpeacelv.org
 - viii. Congratulations 8th grade graduates.

- xi. Congratulations cast & crew of Shrek Jr.! Great performances, costumes, props... wonderful job!
 - x. Rummage Sale: June 6-8 Could use Set up & 5/31-6/5 AND cleanup help
 - xi. Congratulations POP Alumnus Rebecca Zurek. Second year in a row, earned 2 gold medals, at State Competition. Also earned Best in Category; Aerospace Science, at IJAS State Competition, in Carbondale, IL
 - xii. First day of School: August 11
 - xiii. Golf Outing: September 14-Currently selling golf balls for fundraiser
 - xiv. **Family Planning:** The Hedsunds were featured in the monthly Couple to Couple League magazine. There are a lot of new technological advancements that can help young couples who are preparing for marriage or struggling with this issue, that they would like to explore sensitively, within our parish. Article attached
 - xv. **Religious Education:** First Holy Communion was a beautiful celebration -Registration for RE 2019 school year is currently open. Please see website, bulletin, or contact office to register. They are also always looking for catechists and helpers in the classroom. Please contact Deacon James Even if you are interested in helping out. First Communion prep starts in 1st grade; Confirmation prep starts in 7th grade.
 - xvi. **RCIA**-8 people went thru the RCIA program this season
 - xvii. **Vacation Bible Camp:** "Fun in the Sun". Registration is open to PreK-6th grade. Camp is July 22-26. Always looking for VBC helpers. Contact Joan Wiess/Kathy Gutknecht
 - xviii. **Youth Ministry**-Busy, busy, busy. Middle Mission (July 15-19) fall entering 6, 7, 8th graders. Morning mass, service projects in our community and retreat time. High School CHWC (June 16-22) preparing to go to Oklahoma City. 24 kids/6 adults. Young Adult Ministry (June 28-July 7) is to Peru and there are 10 people attending.
- e. Community Life-report given by Mary Recktenwald
- i. Mary attended at Savvy Seniors meeting and they would like to know more information about the Cenacle. Father Gerald said that he'd stop by and give more info.
- f. Parish Resources-report given by Dan Kerkman
- i. The Buildings and Grounds will be adding to the playground. This will be a community build, with contractor on sight. The Knights of Columbus will make food for the workers.
5. Pastor's Report-given by Fr. Gerald Walsh
- a. Mark Weiss and Larry Basbas were ordained as Deacons on May 11. Mark has already served as Deacon at all masses, during the third weekend of May. PoP will be the teaching parish for Larry and he will start his deaconate services in June.
 - b. If we get a new associate Pastor, he will start July 1.
 - c. Farewell for Fr. Adam will be the weekend of June 15&16. He already received his gift of a smoker/grill.
 - d. Last day of school will be Tuesday May 28
 - e. Keep praying....we are close to getting a new music director
 - f. Office staff will have their yearly retreat at the end of June. They will plan the church calendar and other church business.
 - g. Fr. Gerald will be busy during the 3rd week of June and wanted to know if we could move the meeting to June 11. All agreed.
 - h. In July, the office will go to summer hours. The church will still be open on Monday until 9(for Adoration), but the rest of the week, they will close at 5.

6. Fall Commission
 - a. Liz Schoenke passed around several pieces about advertising the Fall Commission this year. We will start by sending a Save the Date as soon as possible. In August, we will start calling ministry leads, to be sure that someone from that ministry will be in attendance. The Fall Commission meeting will be held Saturday Sept. 21
7. Open Forum
 - a. Alan Lacson has volunteered to be Pastoral secretary. He will start training in June.
8. Meeting was adjourned at 8pm, with closing prayer led by Michele Welch. Our next meeting will be held on June 11 and prayers will be led by Mike Wilson.

Minutes done by Liz Schoenke (secretary)