

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes for 8/27/2019

In Attendance: Father Tetzl, Kat Wilson, Katie Edmonds, Eliseo Herrera, Susan Crandall, Garrett Wolfard, Evelin Vasquez, Annmarie Hare, Jenelle Gasper

Absent: Marco Vargas

Opening Prayer: Katie Edmonds

Parish Update from Fr. Tetzl:

- Pre-registration for Religious Education began last week and will continue until September 15th. Classes begin September 22nd. There has been good response so far.
- Father Tetzl will be helping with a combined class for 4th/5th Grade at first – there is someone who will take over in a few months. If more students show up may split the class later.
- 3rd, 4th, 5th grades will be bilingual this year.
- This year's Catechists met last Sunday for orientation. Father Tetzl will meet with Hilda on Wednesday. Last year's students are being called to remind them of upcoming classes.
- There has been a good turnout for completing the mandatory training for working with minors. Training will continue to be offered and times will be published in the bulletin.
- The recruitment for a part-time youth minister remains open. Jesus will be helping with Middle School class activities while Father Tetzl handles the communication until we either get enough volunteers or hire a YM.
- The High School Youth Group will be staffed with a CORE group of volunteers that Father Tetzl will oversee. They are meeting September 22nd and probably before that to work out details.
- Matthew Edmonds will be teaching Confirmation this year. Father Tetzl will meet with him soon. There are at least 17 students registered so far.
- Young Adult group continues to meet. Their next topic will be "Vocations". The group also has their own Facebook page, "Young Adult Life".
- All class/Mass times will remain the same this year except for Confirmation which will happen every Sunday at 11:15AM.
- Father Tetzl passed out an activity calendar for the year. Exact dates still need nailed down.
- There are trainings for Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers, Homebound Ministers and Altar Servers coming in October. Father Tetzl will also offer a 1-day retreat for Altar Servers this Fall.
- Father Tetzl was elected head of the Vicariate Presperal Council. Their next meeting is September 17th and Father would like to present workshop ideas for October to the group.
- We would like to invite Deacon Felix to come on a Sunday afternoon and teach on Leadership.

Pastoral Plan Discussion:

Our Pastoral Plan was distributed to council. Father Tetzl will have Jesus translate into Spanish and we will distribute to Parish. Father would like the Parish Mission Statement at the top of the page, too.

The Council focused on "**Building Catholic Knowledge & Culture**", points 8 & 9

8. Assist Catholics with discernment of their vocation at each age and stage of life. Deepen individual faith, increase ministry participation and promote and support religious vocations by connecting lay people in the parish with those living out religious vocation. ***Deacon James Thurman will be here beginning October 25th. Father Tetzl will ask him to lead Adult Faith Formation. Doctor Elisabeth Farley may be available for leading teachings after her teaching position at the Seminary is complete.***
9. Prepare Catholics for entering the Sacrament of Matrimony, provide ongoing support to young married couples and families – most especially during their first 5 years. ***There will be a talk for married couples on September 16th with Father Rito sponsored by the Charismatic Prayer Group.***

Next Meeting: September 24th @ 7PM (We will discuss the **Youth/Young Adult Ministry** section of the Pastoral Plan)