

Pastoral Council Meeting

Minutes

4/30/2018

Welcome – Fr. Dan

Prayer – Fr. John

Pastoral Plan Reflection

- Where have you seen our Collaborative Values lived out in our parishes these past three years?
 - Fr. John's Homily and Meditation on a relationship with Jesus Christ
 - Continuing and expanding of faith sharing groups
 - Evidence of generosity of spirit in response to calls for lay ministry
 - Giving of time, treasure, and talent
 - Sharing of stories that have been transformational
 - Acting as a servant to others through SVDP
 - Support for the Komi Family
 - Comforting or engaging with people they do not know
 - People are called, and that is a good thing. Given the opportunities
 - But are the same people doing the same over and over?
 - If we are not involving new people, are we stuck?
 - Opportunities for personal prayer during Lent very strong and rich
 - Engaging with others. Making a personal connection
 - Parishioners and Staff in their support of Fr. John
 - Fr. John and the way he is handling his illness
- What is our Vision for the next three years?
 - Radical transformation - both internal and external - 4th Day for the Parish
 - Formation that facilitates radical discipleship and accompaniment. Supported by the staff and community. One person Can't sustain it.
 - Not a new program, but a new way of looking at Discipleship
 - Church going deeper, churched and unchurched
 - Moving each other another step deeper
 - Results in Mass Attendance, Programs explicit to evangelization, both/and approach to unchurched
 - Challenge of engaging Young Adults/Young Families - What would it look like to engage this group?
 - Targeting marginally engaged in parish life
 - Personal connections/relationships
 - Create smaller group of parishioners, and reach out to marginal parishioners directly
 - Reaching out within neighborhoods
 - More engagement with particular groups
 - Listening to ideas from groups

- How can we continue to facilitate connections
- Engagement of Baptism, Marriage, and Funeral families
- Continued engagement of RE Families
- Bulletin - Doing really well
- Within Mass, what is happening, what do we want to experience?
 - Increase in reverence
 - Increase in understanding
 - Education on all levels
- Outside the walls, Some kind of grief/loss/support group for a variety of losses in life
- Strengthening those who are here to be witnesses in the world
 - Confidence to know how to take their faith to comfort someone who is experiencing loss
 - Confidence in talking about faith
- How can we play to our strengths with the different parishes
 - What are the charisms of the parishes that we can play to.
- Community
 - Core community here every week. That is really important!!!
 - How do we meet them in the pew?
 - Personal encounter that leads to a richer experience of the liturgy
 - What are people's experience of Mass?
 - Can we draw on what is already happening?

Staff Business - Andrea, Deacon Ramesh, Sioux and Ginny, and Reach More

- Andrea - leaving for Wisconsin
- Deacon Ramesh, S.J. - Starting in September 2018
- Sioux Mont and Ginny Arpino - New Hire
- Reach More – New Evangelization Leadership Training Initiative

Councilor Business -

- Welcome Table
 - Make sure it is set-up
 - Welcome table assembly at Staff
 - Priest announcement for Welcome Table
 - Changing information at table
 - Information or welcome table?
 - Bill will create new welcome table
- Good feedback on Bulletin - Re: Mass
 - Can we find space on Website for the series?