

Council Minutes August 2020

Attendance: Fr. Chuck Barthel, Gary Leiendecker, Becky McDonnell, Sandy Hoffmann, Carol Mason, Dave Baranowski, Kim Blackford, Mary Gudinas, Jeanne Rothermel, Cheryl Degenhart, Nate Jackson, Deacon Randy Howe, Mary Ann Schulte, Rob Telthorst

Absent: Maura Clancy

May Minutes Approved

Flocknote review

Formation Evening: (7:00pm)

- Team Building – Gary L
 - Get to know each other game
- Discussion: Moving Our Parish Forward – Dave
 - Maintenance Driven or Mission Driven Parish? Parishioner need or outward focus
 - Group 1: in the middle with some maintenance and some mission
 - Are you living on the memory of what we've done or are we still doing these things?
 - Opportunities going forward: phone calls
 - Group 2: in the middle as well
 - Some activities become missionary or can become a mission activity
 - Commitment is a strong part of the parish
 - Group 3: maintenance
 - We feel like we're just hanging on and unsure of the future
 - More outreach in our own community
 - Having more opportunity for young people
 - Change the mindset of some long term parishioners to become more missionary
 - Opportunities going forward: phone calls
- Lectio Divina – Fr. Chuck
 - Collective listening – Psalm 63

Commission minutes recap and new information

Admin/Finance: Mary Gudinas

Major Projects:

In spite of all the rains we did not get any water in the annex basement

Sound System in Reilly Center > 7 of 12 speakers do not work

New decking on the back of the rectory – but did not include railings / wasps were in the rails.

Christian Formation: Kim Blackford

Christian Service: Rob Telthorst

How to carry on the Rock Church Christmas event safely

We will designate a drop off area at MMOC for presents then a small group from

MMOC will deliver the presents to Rock Church where the adopted families will pick them up.

The need for and what does, the next social justice program (following Witnessing Whiteness) look like?

recommended starting this process with a “Cultural Proficiency Survey” which would hopefully start parishioners thinking about social justice issues.

Should the education and spiritual part of our social justice mission be shifted to Christian Formation?

Evangelization: Jeanne Rothermel

Health: Mary Ann Schulte

Liturgy: Carol Mason

Social: Becky McDonnell

When do we start to cancel events? 8-10 weeks out. Sensational Seniors have been cancelled. Are we building community or forcing an event? With smaller events, could we build better community?

Youth: Maura Clancy

Items that might need quality time for discussions

1. Mary Gudinas/Fr. Chuck: 2 capital improvement expenses (Upgrade/repair Sound system in Reilly Center + new railing for the deck on the back of the rectory) that were not included in the budget. **Audio system approved. Railing approved.**
2. Fr. Chuck: Another expense not included in the budget > a change in the parish policy on offering financial support to any household sending their child to any Catholic grade school. This will be part of the operating budget in the future. It would be part of the Beyond Sunday funds this year. The policy would change to any parishioner who sends their child to a Catholic elementary school would receive this help. **Approved.**
3. Dave Baranowski, Kim Blackford & Jeanne Rothermel: Initial discussion on restructuring the Christian Formation and Evangelization Commissions. **Members, please read information and contact one of the above members with questions or concerns.**
 - a. Move the Stewardship Committee from Christian Formation to Evangelization.
 - b. Rename Evangelization to The Missionary Discipleship Commission.
 - c. Expand social justice education and formation into Christian Formation.
 - i. To work in conjunction with the Christian Service Commission
 - d. Move Human Rights Committee from Christian Service to Christian Formation.
 - e. October 3rd annual parish leadership meeting – approved
 - i. Possible starting with 8:00 Mass
 - ii. Meeting will be held in church
 - iii. Live stream questions will need to be addressed
 - f. Early 2021 – open house
 - g. Christmas Signs
 - h. Annual Parish Stewardship Renewal – move this to January or February to tie in to other events currently being done in the parish around the same time involving Stewardship

What’s the Buzz???

Rob Telthorst > Closing Prayer

Next Meeting: September 24, 2020

Who would be willing to lead the concluding prayer??? Kim Blackford