

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING NOTES

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| Council: Parish Council |
| Meeting Date: 3/16/2021 |
| "We are called to be the Light of Christ in the World." |

| Meeting Participants | Present | Ministry Council Participants | Present |
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| Fr. Feela, Pastor | X | Mary Plumb – CSJ | X |
| Ryan Rehkamp (Parish Director) | X | Mike Martin - DPL | X |
| Gene Scapanski (Trustee) | X | Joseph Zaepfel - FF | X |
| Ofelia Lopez (Trustee) | X | Angel Fitzsimmons - Finance | X |
| Brian Dusbiber (Chair) | X | Julie Keegstra – School/EC MAL | X |
| Joe Peterson (Vice Chair) | X | Anne Krisnik - Worship | X |
| Olivia Gojkovic (Recorder) | X | | |

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| 1. | Staff Update (Ryan) |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In process of finalizing the budget Anticipating running deficit for fiscal 2022 |
| 2. | Ministry Council Reports |
| | <p>Worship</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussed events of Holy Week, the emotional connection of gathering and ritual of Triduum. Looking forward to adding more masses, congregation seems to be more comfortable coming to Mass in-person. Talked of larger charism of hospitality and welcoming. Discussion of selecting imagery in the gathering area, e.g., inspirational artwork, items to provoke thought and reflection. WMC will be meeting over the summer, new group still getting to know one another. <p>Care, Support & Justice</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow-up conversation on 3/2 event. Reflection activity on mental health and addiction. Emphasis on spiritual connection as means to healing. Spoke of the second goal: growth/faith formation. Many compelling and valuable committees engaged in activities. How to capitalize on the new Highland development, rather than waiting for attendees, what kind of outreach can we be doing? Mary plans to connect with Anne (WMC) to plan together. |

Discipleship and Parish Life

- Discussion of 3/2 event, group was very engaged and this conversation took the majority of the meeting.
- Working on upcoming 5/1 shredding event, optimistic for strong participation.
- Working with Michaela on planning for "Parish life after COVID" ... also discussed how to tap into Highland development.

Faith Formation

- Engaged discussion on two primary topics:
 1. New ministry looking to launch (Interfaith ministry), what it will entail to launch this ministry, and
 2. Revitalizing Youth Ministry at LCCC, working with Lynn and Ryan on this. Will offer a mission statement, looking to deliver within next 1-2 months.

Finance

- Discussed the 2022 budget, raised many questions but still no consensus.
- Will draft questions to present to Ryan and Scott for further discussion.

School

- Looking at feasibility study for potential expansion of the school – this is a first step; this also addresses family involvement in the Parish.
- With new guidelines from the Governor, looking to do one week of distance post-Easter but then planning full-group outdoor activities (e.g., full grade recess).
- Parent teacher video conferences receiving great feedback.
- Covid cases reducing in student-to-student (only recent cases are transmitting within families).
- Enrollment for 2021-2022 school year going well.
- Swing update: tracking ahead of target on sponsors; this year the teachers will produce the fundraising video.

3. Discussion Topic: Feedback on 3/2 Event

- Anne: good to have things people are already talking about set in framework of our faith. Good first step, but a small first step. Group was open to both learning and sharing, overall very positive.
- Brian: thoughts on forming/needing a cohort?
- Julie: we need to expand this out to the parish... we don't yet know who's interested. (Joseph agrees).
- Brian: Ministry program leaders might be next best group to contact, they have ability to be "influencers" in the parish.
- Anne (who is part of group forming the cohort): cohort would host experiential events that would be open to parish at-large (even if individuals aren't able to commit to joining the cohort). Perhaps we host a "primer" event for people to evaluate whether they'd opt to join the cohort?

- Mary suggests creating a “passport book” ... participants would receive a “stamp” by completing activities, a good way to encourage families (parents bringing kids to events). By completing minimum number of activities, idea that individual could be eligible to join the cohort.
- Anne: concern that the cohort needs to have some continuity of members who are committed to regular attendance. This encourages relationship-building and intimacy amongst members.
- Angel: perhaps keeping the “passport book” idea and using it as model to identify/develop next cycle of leaders.
- Brian: as we close, looking at this in context of outreach: how can we be visibly seen in the community via this initiative?

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| 4. | Future Meeting Date |
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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Next Parish Leadership Night is 4/20/2021 |
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