

St. Patrick Parish

Pastoral Council Meeting

Wednesday April 18, 2018

Boardroom

7 p.m.

Present : Allen Galachiuk, Suzan Light, John Toccalino, Anna Marie Young, Fr. Paul Shepherd, Lucy Gorman, secretary.

Opening Prayer

Approval of the agenda With addition of two items; Canadian Blood Services and The Big Give

Acceptance of the March 14, 2018 Minutes Proposed by Suzan Light and seconded by John Toccalino

Review of Easter Celebrations What went well, where can we make improvements, if need be : The Easter Sunday celebrations-people still crowded in.

All pews (plus additional chairs) were filled for the Good Friday celebration. Holy Thursday went well, including the washing of the feet.

There are still the issues of people standing in the aisles and of people arriving early and « saving seats ». We will have to let people know early on that they will not be able to save seats until 30 minutes before the start of the liturgy.

There is still some talk of the possibility of putting cameras in the church. This would help people who have gathered in Mgr Paul Baxter Hall participate more fully in the liturgy.

Insofar as other liturgical ministries such as lectors, musicians and eucharistic ministries are concerned, everything there went very smoothly.

Coffee Sundays The Council meets with the Cathy Gasper, president of the CWL and Mike Warren, Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus to discuss ways to better align some of the parish's activities in the coming year so that we may avoid anymore scheduling conflicts and establish areas of responsibility for the CWL, the Knights of Columbus and the Pastoral Council.

Cathy outlines the CWL's commitments 1) A Pie sale scheduled for the last week-end of September 2) a Bake sale in early December and 3) a St Patrick's Day celebration on March 17, 2019.

Mike then gives us the rundown of the K. of C. commitments : Community breakfasts in October, January, on Palm Sunday and again on Mother's Day.

There will be a membership « drive » when coffee is served this coming Sunday, April 22nd as well as when the choir last sings on June 24th.

Here then is the schedule for Coffee Sundays for the next year, starting in

September CWL	October K of C	November A.G.*	December CWL	January K of C	*social committee
February A.G.*	March CWL	April A.G.*	May K of C	June K of C	

Before she leaves, Cathy informs the Pastoral Council that she will let Heather know of the C.W.L.'s commitments for 2018-2019.

Update on Hall rentals Fr. Shepherd informs us that there have been seven(7) more bookings, so far.

New Business a) Canadian Blood Services. Lucy to follow up in order to see how that which is outlined in what they sent us would work here at St. Patrick, Fallowfield.

b) The Big Give. After some discussion, the Council determines that our location without enough parking makes it difficult for the parish to host. Nonetheless, we decide to hold on to the material over the next year.

c) Allen informs the Council that the parish now has two (2) additional handicap signs to put up on the fence on the side of the church as well as two (2) others to put in the front of the church. There is a possibility of a third a little later on.

d) Allen also informs the P.C. that the K. of C. has offered to help the social committee when and if it needs any assistance in the future.

d) John Toccalino wonders about the Fall Harvest Dinner. Allen will come back to the Council with information on this at next month's meeting.

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Closing prayer

Lucy Gorman, Secretary