

Prince of Peace Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

February 20, 2018

Attendees: Father Adam, Rich Elmore(chairperson), Liz Schoenke (secretary), Lisa Weideman, Susan Hogan, Mike Wilson, Mary Dubicki, Kim Zurek, Joanne Gorski, Chuck McFarlin, Anmarie Andresen, Michele Welch, Mike Milostan, Anne Fahey

Absent: Fr. Gerald, Dan Kerkman, Thomas Evan, Dave Ingram, Ellen Wing

- A. **Meeting opened** by Rich Elmore 7:00 pm. Opening Prayer by Liz Schoenke.
- B. **January minutes** reviewed and one correction made by Dan Kerkman (E. Pastor's Report; j; ii-added Bishop Rassas will give the decision made by Cardinal Archbishop Cupich) then minutes were approved. To be sent to parish office to be posted.
- C. **Deanery Report**-none (there was no meeting last month and another has yet to be scheduled)
- D. **Ministry Reports**
 - a. **Deep Connections**-(report given by Lisa Weideman) Joe Gannon is the leader of this commission and is looking for ways to recruit men to this group. It was suggested that he speak at a Knights of Columbus meetings; ask Barb about speaking at a mass as a ministry of the week; make announcements for the group at Saturday morning 8 am mass, since the group meets on Saturday at 9; Chuck McFarlin and Mike Wilson offered to help.
 - b. **St. Vincent DePaul**- (report given by Ann Fahey)- Friends of the Poor Benefit will be held on April 22, 2018 in Oakbrook, IL
 - ii. The community dinner was last Sunday, but Ann was unaware of the number of attendees since she was unable to attend.
 - iii. St. Vincent De Paul is also looking for ministries to sponsor the monthly dinners. There will be a meeting on Thursday (Feb. 22) to discuss details. Anmarie Andresen will email the details of hosting a dinner and then we will email the ministries to see who wants to volunteer to host dinners. Susan Hogan suggested that we ask the kids to help at the dinners as well, but we were informed that using kids means that someone has to be Virtus trained.
 - iv. They are also looking for creative ways to get more funding. A community purse was suggested...a group of ladies in Libertyville do this...instead of donating this amount to this charity and that amount to that charity, they pool their money and agree on one charity to donate to each month.
 - c. **Prayer Shawl Ministry** (report emailed in by Ellen Wing)

They have been busy making more mats for PADS and now have a good amount ready to dispense. Prayer shawls are plentiful now, so if anyone knows someone who could use one, give Jean Coons a call. Does not have to be a parishioner at POP. We are happy to provide some comfort to anyone, female, male, or children and babies.
 - d. **Savy Seniors** (report emailed in by Ellen Wing)

The February meeting went well; attendance was a bit down due to the weather.

Fr. Ryan impressed everyone with his witty bingo number calling. Very popular with our members.

e. **Food Drive** (report emailed in by Ellen Wing)

It was, as usual, a success. Many families will have food on their tables thanks to our donors.

f. **Wedding Ministry** (report emailed in by Ellen Wing)

The wedding ministry spoke at all masses last weekend (Feb. 17&18). Nancy Minor manned a table in the gathering space to answer any questions, etc.

g. **Knights of Columbus** (report given by Chuck McFarlin)

A lady from St. Mark's Church also runs a PADS program and asked the Knights for volunteers to help. Also, attendance for the first fish fry was down, but this could be based on the fact that all schools had a 4 day weekend, the weather was icky and the flu is going around everywhere. Soup and Bread night will be this Friday.

h. **School**(report given by Mike Wilson)

Robert Fitzpatrick approached Mike because he was concerned about kids who want to go to church, but are unable to get there because their parent(s) are too busy to take them. Could we start a car pool system? Fr. Adam said this was a question better suited for Fr. Gerald. Others suggested that they would research more information on rules and liability.

E. Co-Parish Council Chairperson

- a. Rich Elmore asked the council to please pray and let him know if anyone was interested in the Co-chairperson position.

F. Pastor's report (emailed in by Fr. Gerald and read by Fr. Adam)

- a. Renew My Church follow up-Since last PPC meeting the announcement was made that St. Bede and St. Peter will combine to form 1 Canonical parish with 2 worship sites and 1 school. PoP will remain as an independent parish with school. St. Raphael will remain as an independent parish for a determined period of time (3-5years)
- b. Last meeting I mentioned that Fr. Fuller will be the Mission Speaker. Due to Fr. Fuller job (Secretary to the USCCB) he had to change his schedule and he will be unable to do the Mission for us. We are in the process of trying to schedule speakers to replace Fr. Fuller.
- c. Men and Women's CRHP retreats are coming up. I recommend you to look into them for yourselves, as well as encourage members of you ministries to look into the retreats as well.
- d. The next PPC meeting is March 20 which is also Lenten Reconciliation. I will not be able to attend. Can we move it to the Tuesday before? I would trust you to meet without me.
- e. PPC introductions are this weekend at all masses. After the Homily, Rich will go to the podium and give the introduction of what the PPC is, we will process down in 4 lines. (1 Tabernacle aisle; 2 in the center; 1 on choir side). Rich will call your name, come stand in the center of the steps and alternate so when names are completed, we are centered in front of the Altar.

- G. Meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm, after closing prayer by Liz Schoenke. Next meeting will be on March 20, 2018. Michele Welch will do opening and closing prayer.

Submitted by Liz Schoenke