

Peace of Christ Parish
Pastoral Council Meeting
St. John the Evangelist Church Hall
Tuesday, April 9, 2019

Attendance: Fr. Tim Brown, Bruce Cavallaro, Carolyn Conrow, Karen Costello, Bob Crego, Alan Dickinson, Rick Eisenman, Joan Frazier, Nick Frega (Diocesan Liaison to Pastoral Council), Matthew Grosodonia, Sean Manfreda, Sue Morrison, Joyce Raymond, Fr. Robert Schrader, Mary Ellen Steele,

Excused: Ken Klamm, Rob Layer, Eric Oswald, Sr. Marlene Vigna RSM and Mia Valvo

Scribe: Goldie Rogers

Meeting opened at 7:00 pm

- **Opening Prayer** - Karen
- **Approval of January Minutes and April Agenda/Housekeeping Items**

The minutes were accepted with one correction and the agenda was accepted as written.

Welcome Weekend is scheduled for April 27/28 and all Masses are covered. The next Pastoral Council meeting will be on Tuesday, May 7 - a change in the original schedule.

- **Open Forum** - No one present
- **Councilor's Concerns**

A parishioner mentioned to a member of Council that the gardens in front of St. James Church needed some attention. It was noted that recently some clean-up had been done. This matter will be referred to the parishioners who are in charge of this responsibility.

Alan reported that the May 11 Parish Dinner tickets went on sale on Sunday, April 7 at Dailey Hall. Only a small number were purchased that day - they can now be picked up at the Parish Office. The raffle tickets are available at the three sites as well as the office. Signs will be posted at the three sites and updated weekly showing the current prize amounts. Volunteers will be needed on Friday afternoon, May 10 to help set-up Dailey Hall for the dinner.

Karen suggested making up a basket for the Silent Auction at the Parish Dinner from Pastoral Council. Everyone was in agreement. The theme will be "Care for Creation." Karen will follow-up with more information to Council members.

Karen passed out flyers about the 2019 Diocesan Social Ministry Conference to be held on Thursday, May 2 at Notre Dame Retreat House in Canandaigua. Council Members are encouraged to attend this all-day event. She also gave out flyers promoting the new Rochester Area Interfaith Climate Action's first annual Interfaith Climate Summit. This group is looking for support from our parish - not financial support - but to be listed supporting their efforts in future publicity and possible involvement in future planning. Fr. Bob and Council members are in agreement that this is an endeavor to be supported so Karen will relay this information to the contact, Debby Kornfeld.

Council members received an email from Colleen Griffith from the Parish Office clarifying the procedure for follow-up from contacts made at the Welcome Table. Some members made contact by email or by leaving phone messages and received no return response. One member actually received a return email and had a positive feeling about the exchange.

- **Book Discussion - Chapters 32-45 (*Divine Renovation Apprentice*) - Fr. Bob**

With regard to the last paragraph on page 152, a Council member asked Fr. Bob if there is a time when all parish ministry leaders get together. The upcoming Diocesan Social Ministry Conference scheduled for May 2nd is an opportunity for sharing with other ministry leaders.

Bob Crego mentioned the need for altar servers for Mass at St. James. Perhaps the newly-confirmed could be asked to take on this role. It was mentioned that a personal invitation always works well.

The assignment for the May Council meeting is to finish the last chapters of the book. Fr. Bob suggested that it would be a good idea to form a sub-committee to meet, review and prioritize issues to be presented at the June meeting.

- **Community Outreach Day (Saturday, April 27) - Rick**

The sign-up posters have been at the three sites and about 20 people have signed up to help. The projects are set in place. Rick is confident that as the day gets closer, more volunteers will sign up.

➤ **Youth Report** - Sean

Ch. 32-39 *Divine Renovation Apprentices* (Multiplication Mindset Part 1/2; Multiplication Mindset Part 2/2; Nourishing the Verb “Ask;” Getting a Personal Trainer; Calling All Leaders; Elevator Pitch; Playing to Your Strengths; Learning to Say No.) and Ch. 40-45 (Haters Gonna Hate; Big MAC Attack; A Little Change is a Big Change; If Moses Supposes; Paying It Forward.

Idea: from Ch. 36, bottom, p. 152-Calling All Leaders- in *Divine Renovation Apprentices*: “Think of one or two things you would want all of the leaders at your parish to know (and to do). Share these at your next gathering of parish leaders.” How and Who? How: Invite youth ages 16 (11th grade) and up to train to be extraordinary ministers at Mass.

(2.4.1 Requirements for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion •

These men and women must: have completed their sixteenth year, be fully initiated, lead a life of faith in keeping with the function to be undertaken, and if married, be validly married within the Church and not be bound by any canonical penalty legitimately imposed or declared; sign the Profession of Faith for an extraordinary minister of Holy Communion, renewing his/her belief in the real presence of Jesus Christ in the Most Holy Eucharist. A copy of this Profession of Faith for an extraordinary minister of Holy Communion is to be filed at the Chancery Office; (Cf. Addendum 1) to participate in training which includes a theological discussion of the Sacrament of Holy Communion as well as training on the appropriate posture and deportment of the extraordinary minister of Holy Communion during the Mass; have a letter of authorization from the Bishop. From: *Policies for Administration of Sacraments*, p. 29, Diocese of Rochester.)

Invite youth ages 16 (11th grade) and up to train to be lectors at Mass.

Who: Pastoral Staff

Goal(s): *Renewing the Vision*:

IDEA #1 ties in with Goal#2: To draw young people to responsible participation in the life, mission, and work of the Catholic faith community.”

The Junior/Senior High Youth Groups will meet on April 8, 29 and May 6. The Lenten Almsgiving Project for April and May will be collecting money on behalf of Birthright of Rochester with a Baby Bottle Campaign.

Confirmation will take place on Monday, April 8th.

➤ **Finance & School Reports/200 Club - Fr. Bob**

Fr. Bob passed out copies of the financial report for 3/31/19. The actual receipts for the Catholic Ministries Appeal are only a couple hundred dollars shy of the goal. Hopefully, the pledged amount will be reached as the parish receives one-half of the overage back.

St. Ambrose Academy - enrollment is at 102. Registration for next year is taking place at the present time. Unfortunately, the trend is that parents wait until just before school begins before registering. The Strategic and Marketing Committee for the school is working on plans to further promote the school.

The 200 Club is starting up and memberships are going well.

➤ **RocACTS Task Force Report - Carolyn, Bruce, Karen and Fr. Bob**

Carolyn's group, Poverty and Jobs, are meeting this evening. They are continuing to work on Housing Issues. Carolyn extended an invitation to everyone to attend the RocACTS Day of Discovery on Saturday, April 27th, from 9 am - 3 pm. RocACTS is evaluating at the present time whether to change from Gamaliel to Faith in Action. The Board will be voting on this possible change on June 12th.

Bruce's group, Criminal Justice & Police Accountability, is continuing to work on their issues. He has not been able to attend any meetings but they have a very active email network so he is able to keep aware of their activities.

Karen's group, Education, is continuing to work with the schools regarding the surveys taken from school parents. As a result of the surveys, a series of workshops have been planned.

Fr. Bob reported that the Clergy Caucus is still working to open mediation between the union and Jordan Health Center workers regarding their contract issues.

➤ **Nominating Committee Timeline - Carolyn**

Names can be submitted for anyone who wishes to serve on Council until May 10th. Starting mid-May, contacts will be made to the candidates to verify their willingness to serve. Mary Ellen and Sue had previously offered to help Carolyn to make calls. Joyce and Karen volunteered to help make calls. Names will be picked Pentecost Sunday weekend, June 8/9. The next Council meeting is

scheduled for June 11 and it is hoped that the newly-elected members will be able to attend.

➤ **Pastoral Council Covenant Review - All**

The following changes were suggested: on Page 2, under Membership Selection, change *the month of April* to *season of Easter*; Page 3, under Officers and Their Responsibilities, *The recording secretary shall not be an elected member of council*; Page 4, under Relationship of the Pastoral Council to the Finance Council, eliminate the sentence: *Minutes of each council will be shared with members of the other council*. The covenant will be updated and presented to Council at the next meeting.

➤ **Closing Prayer - Rick**

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 7, 2019, 7 pm, St. John's Church Hall

Opening Prayer: Bruce Costello

Closing Prayer: Rick Eisenman

Refreshments: Joan Frazier

Respectfully submitted,

Goldie Rogers