

**ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA
PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JULY 2, 2020**

Those present: Fr. Grant Gerlach, Kay Birkholt, Dan DeFries, Julie Hill, Joshua Schuh, John Lane, Mary Kay Thompson, and Joan Roe (recording secretary).

Guest: Jesse Willis (summer seminarian)

Kay introduced our summer seminarian, Jesse Willis, to the PPC members.

The opening prayer was led by Fr. Gerlach.

The PPC meeting minutes from May 7, 2020, were reviewed by the PPC members prior to the meeting. Dan made the motion to accept them as presented and Josh seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Old Business

1. Revising SAP PPC Constitution: This item is tabled until the new Bishop has been installed and to see what his vision for the Diocese of Rapid City is.
2. Western SD Catholic Foundation grant: Kay spoke with Tim Henderson at the Foundation and was told the grant money would be held in case we are able to have a community-wide meal in 2021.
3. Time & Talent Fair Share: On hold for now.
4. Liturgical Ministers mini retreat: Date is tentatively set for November 21 and may need to be held via Zoom.
5. Youth Program Initiative update: Mary Kay supplied the PPC members with several pages of suggestions for both our young disciple and our adult programs. She spoke in detail about our Formation programs. She suggested that the young disciples be split into the following groups: K-2, 3-5, 6-8, and 9-12. She also suggested that a survey be sent out to the parents of our young disciples (YD) to see how they feel about Wednesday evening vs. Sunday morning for Formation and other pertinent questions regarding our YD Formation programs. Kay and Mary Kay will work on putting together a survey and get it out to the parents soon. She also suggested that we have a once-a-month meeting where the young disciples' families come together and an evening when the teachers get together to plan their curriculum each month. Other suggestions included recruiting more teachers or helpers, having a parent meeting before the year begins, and having the K-5 group meet on Sunday morning and the 6-8 group meet on Wednesday evenings. Safe Environment training was also discussed. Mary Kay suggested we have it on a Sunday for those in K-5 and on a Wednesday for those in 6-12. Joan (as SE Coordinator for the parish) stated in the past we have had one evening when everyone comes together for the training. Dates suggested for SE Youth Training are August 26 and August 30.

As far as Adult Formation goes, Mary Kay gave a list of suggestions to each of the PPC members for them to review. These resources come from FORMED, Ascension Press, Alpha, and Loyola Press. Discussion was held by the PPC members.

6. Resumption of Mass: We are not reaching our limited capacity of 72 parishioners yet. Fr. Gerlach said this situation is the same in other parishes. No tickets are needed to attend daily Mass, only for Sunday Mass. Kay stated that we need to reach out to those who are isolated to let them know we are thinking of them.
7. OCP Grant Update: Fr. Gerlach applied for this grant for installing digital systems for all three parishes so that those who cannot attend Mass, for whatever reason, could watch it through live streaming. Joan stated we will find out in August if we received the grant and, if we do, we will receive a check in September.
8. Summer Seminarian (see above)

New Business

1. Mass Update: See #6 above.
2. Budget 2021: Fr. Gerlach let the PPC members know that the budget for fiscal year 2020-2021 has been approved by the Parish Finance Council and that we were able to cut the budget by approximately \$30,000.00 this year which is an approximate difference of 14%.
3. Catholic Social Services opportunities: Included in the list of items sent to the PPC Members was a list of Presentations or Classes presented by Catholic Social Services. This information was given to the PPC members so they are aware of what is available through CSS.
4. Upcoming Diocesan Events: For informational purposes only:
 - a. Bishop-elect Peter Muhich's ordination on July 9 will be live streamed.
 - b. Totus Tuus Domi will be held online from Sunday evening through Friday morning, July 12-17.
 - c. CORE Youth Ministry Retreat will be held September 26 & 27 at Terra Sancta.
 - d. Diocesan Youth Rally will be held Sunday, October 11 at Terra Sancta.
5. Joan reminded the PPC members that we will need to have nominations and elections to replace Kay and John as their positions on the council will be ending. Nominations will be announced the last Sunday of August and will take place the second Sunday in September. Voting will be held the last Sunday of September. Kay and John will still be eligible to be nominated since they have not served 2 consecutive terms.

The next PPC meeting will be held on Thursday, September 17, at 6:15 p.m.

The closing prayer was led by Fr. Gerlach.

*Respectfully submitted,
Joan M. Roe
Recording Secretary*