

# St. Marianne Cope Parish, Pastoral Council (2018/19)

**Members** = Chuck Barone, Keith Bock, Justine Capozzi, Ken Hassett, Yvonne Kimaid, Gene Kobos, Jeanne Leonardi, Dana Neumire, Meg Palmer, Holly Saad, Sr. Sheila Stevenson, Joe Valenti.

**Administrator** = Sr. Sheila Stevenson **Trustees** = Meg Palmer and Phil Daggar Jr.  
**Facilitator** = Yvonne Kimaid **Co-Facilitator** = Ken Hassett **Secretary** = Holly Saad

## Meeting Minutes

**Date: March 11th, 2019**

**Members Absent: Chuck Barone.**

**Members Excused: None.**

\* Meeting began in prayer at 7:04pm.

\* **The minutes of our last meeting were approved.**

**RHYM Report – From G. Jennison, Director of Youth Ministry. Reported by RHYM Representatives**

**Past Events:** Meet for Mass on March 3 went well. RHYM attendance was good but not as good as when we do the [11:30](#) Mass. Several parishioners told the music group that they would like to have them at the [9:45](#) more often and that they liked the selection of songs. Mardi Gras: We had over 150 people come for Mardi Gas. There was a mix of families, retired, couples and singles but mostly families with preschool-middle school children.

**Upcoming Events:** RHYM is sponsoring Stations of the Cross and Soup Supper [on April 5](#) and the Living Stations of the Cross [on April 14](#). Our SALT Council and RHYM Parent Council is looking at our leadership and music programs for RHYM. Although we have great participation, conflicts with outside activities have begun to occur more frequently. We are brainstorming ideas on how to structure differently to maintain accessibility, avoid conflicts and prevent future drop in participation. We are also brainstorming ideas on things that RHYM can do to bring families and parents together.

**Questions/Answers/Input/Ideas:** Our RHYM Choir and Ensemble really like the new music area at Guardian Angels. We are no longer squished together. It is also nice to be able to see the altar without fully turning around. In our brainstorming for the future, the idea of a RHYM sponsored “coffee lounge” for parents before the [11:30](#) Mass was brought up. The idea is that parents who drop their kids off for faith formation would have a place to connect with each other while their kids are in class. It would also give RHYM parents a place to hang out and connect if we have RHYM leadership and/or music meetings on Sunday mornings. Some ideas would be that we could have coffee and maybe some literature or videos that parents could use, if they wanted. Or they could just socialize and build community. In addition to the social aspect of this idea, it might also encourage more families to attend Mass together because they wouldn't be dropping off and picking up. If this idea is realized, RHYM would be responsible for setting it up, restocking, etc. While there is a few logistics to consider (like do we have a space) we would like your input on the idea.

**General Parish Announcements/ Concerns – Sr. Sheila**

- A. **Minor Renovations:** GA now has a new music ministry area/ platform in the church. Space was needed for our choirs for various events including our upcoming Holy Week activities which will take place at GA this year. Note that the Reconciliation room has been moved to GA's prayer room.
- B. **Property:** 1) Ice Rose Lane is in the beginning process of being negotiated for sale. 2) The white house on GA property has now been vacated by the former tenant. This property needs work (cleaning, repairs, etc.). Sr. Sheila is reconsidering using this space as office space as the property would need additional work to

meet our needs (rewiring, etc.). 3) The GS sale is wrapping up. A neighbor's fence is slightly on the GS property line. Our attorney is working to resolve this.

- C. **Annual Report:** The stewardship and pastoral council partnership for this project met a second time. Thus far, format and content has been discussed. The report will include a letter from Sr. Sheila, a financial summary, and sections on spirituality, our various ministries, outreach initiatives, and strategic plan information. The goal due date is September 2019.
- D. **Task Force:** The power point presentation has now been revised per Diocesan recommendations. Parish Town Hall meetings have been scheduled for Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at 7pm and Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup> after the 11:30 am Mass (approx. 1:00pm).
- E. **CMA:** We are at just over 75% of our goal with 477 donors. This does not include the \$3, 300.00 that was raised from the recent CMA 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection.

### Other –

1. The annual Volunteer appreciation event will take place on Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. The stewardship committee is hosting this event. They are requesting assistance from pastoral council members to assist with set up, clean up, etc.
2. FYI: PC members contact information (names, etc) will appear in this coming week's bulletin. PC member name tags have been ordered for those who need them.
3. The previously planned April 6/7 PC members present after our masses has been moved to April 13/14 due to the Town Hall meetings. The following PC members have volunteered to be at the indicated masses below –

4/13 at 4:30: Gene, Yvonne, and Ken.

4/14 at 8:00: Phil, Keith, Jeanne.

4/14 at 9:45: Meg and Holly.

4/14 at 11:30 Dana and Joe.

### Long Range Strategic Planning –

- A. Mission statement options were shared and discussed. Sr. Sheila, Phil Daggar, and Justine Capozzi will work with the shared ideas and complete the wording for the statement.
- B. March 30<sup>th</sup> at 10am is the scheduled Strategic planning meeting.

### Next Meeting –

Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7pm at GA, room 5.

This meeting ended in prayer at approximately 8:45 pm

**Respectfully Submitted by Holly Saad, Secretary.**

### Dates to Remember

*April 13/14 and October 5/6: Pastoral Council to be present after all masses to meet with Parishioners.*

### Reminders

*The following was discussed at previous council meetings and may require follow up:*

1. *An annual meeting between PC and our ministries.*
2. *PC members assigned to various ministries so as to stay better connected.*
3. *Implementation of RHYM's suggestion to PC: interactive social programs, "teen mass" with contemporary music and short homily, a teaching mass.*