

**St. John Paul II Parish Pastoral Council Minutes – Tuesday – 02-14-2017**

**Members Present:** Fr. Mike Wolfe, Beth Eichman, Chris Gramling, Herman Guzman, Roger Hagen, Vicki Kegel, Bob Lynch, Maggie Lynch, Janice Patrowsky, Dean Pluskota and Anita Wucherer.

**Excused:** Fr. Mike Ignaszak. Angie Conchi and Alice Palacio-Gomez

**Guest:** Idalia Nieves-Reyes

Chairman Bob Lynch called the meeting to order at 6:50 p.m. with opening prayer provided by Dean Pluskota said by all.

**Approval of December 13<sup>th</sup> Pastoral Council Minutes**

The minutes of 12/13/2016 were reviewed and no additions or changes were made. Maggie moved to approve the minutes and Vicki seconded the motion. All present approved the minutes.

**Pastoral Staff Ministry Report: Idalia Nieves-Reyes, Pastoral Associate**

- Idalia provided the committee with a handout plus gave us a screen presentation with the mission statement, our ministries that we are involved in Food Pantry, St. Vincent de Paul Conference, Pastoral Care and Homebound. Our support groups include Prayer Shawl and Parish Groups like the Marriage Group, Women's Group and Prayer Group, Adult Faith Formation, Elizabeth Ministry, Al-Anon and A.A. Idalia is passionate about the Food Pantry which helps 330 individuals; an average of 75 families every month (year round). The monthly expenses are an average of \$1,200.00. Our current vendors are Aldi and Monterey Market. I have volunteers of 25 plus each month. We also have activities for the children like face painting and a coloring table. Idalia provides those who need additional services with phone numbers such as Catholic Charities, Rides etc.

**Council Chair Report: Bob Lynch**

- Bob asked the question Who is our Parish Community? Bob then shared that the archdiocese was given a grant for a Mission Insite website and Big Data that provides all kinds of data on people who live in the boundaries of our parish and those who belong to our parish in various zip codes like 53215 and 53221, the most common. It provides household income, Racial Ethnic Groups, population growth, Singles and Young Families, age and number of people in each household to help with 5 year planning for the archdiocese.
- Beth, Lorena, Doreen and I attended a seminar at the Archdiocese on Saturday, 2-4-2017 about MissionIsite.
- We will not have an April Council meeting on April 11, 2017 because it is Holy Week. We will have our March Council meeting on Tuesday, March 14, 2017 even though both pastors have asked to be excused.
- I am on the Planning Commission and we had a discussion about the Seton Schools. 26 schools will be Seton schools. Phase 1 which started in September 2016 had 9 schools. Seton wants to slow down to get a better handle on things. Phase II will start September 2017 with only 5 schools. This may take 4 or 5 years before this is all complete.

- Four Parishes had VIP Parish Tours in November 2016. Fr. Wolfe asked if we would like to be a VIP Parish and give a tour. The committee said yes. Fr. Wolfe said we would need volunteers from the parish to greet people. Fr. Wolfe was volunteered to give priestly and religious information.

**Pastor's Report: Fr. Mike Ignaszak**

- I am away on vacation this week. Thank you to Fr. Wolfe for presenting this report.
- Update on my Sister and Brother-in-law: As I am writing this report, my sister has been discharged from the hospital and is staying with her youngest daughter. She had a massive heart attack and had two angioplasty procedures. Her heart is significantly weakened but there is hope cardiac rehab will restore her strength. My brother-in-law, her husband, was hospitalized at the same time and just transferred to Golden Living Center. He needs hyperbaric treatment and IV antibiotics to heal a large wound on his right ankle. He has comprised circulation. Insurance coverage is also an issue. I will call Fr. Wolfe before the meeting with further updates. Please continue to pray for both of them. Note: I changed my travel plans and am staying local to be available as family needs me during this week.
- I have not heard from the Priest Personnel Office at the Archdiocese as yet as far as my renewal of term. I suspect there will be no problem but am anxious to hear affirmatively.
- The Catholic Stewardship Appeal last year was the best we have done since the merger raising \$30,645 or 6068% of our goal for the final 2016 campaign. This compares to \$29,440.67 or 58.3% of our goal. The Archdiocese has heard our appeal and this year both English and Spanish videos were prepared. The Spanish video paralleled the English but was a unique production using a Spanish speaking family rather than subtitles or translations of English speakers. As time allows, I am creating a spreadsheet that will show comparisons from year to year at any given month. This data is not directly available through the Archdiocese. I hope to reconstruct the giving patterns since the parish merger.
- We are gearing up for Lent which starts March 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Update: Jon Kasubuske, our Lead Maintenance Engineer, is following up with Kelman Corp. and Butters-Fetting about the leak in the SH Church roof. They are going after the insulation company trying to get them to pay for the painting of the ceiling, a repair of carpet and touch up of pew finishes that was caused when the roof was left open during a rain storm during the AC installation.

**Associate Pastor's Report: Fr. Mike Wolfe**

- We started a 6:30 p.m. Spanish weekday Mass at SA on Wednesday 2-8-2017. 53 people attended.
- I started altar server training on Saturday 2-11-2017 at SH Church. 2 people showed up for server training. Dawn Boyer and her boys are helping with the training. I will be inviting people to see if they are interested in becoming a server.
- Keep the Immigrants in your prayers.
- We will be hosting a housing seminar on March 12, 2017 that will cover getting a loan, refinancing and all the necessary paperwork. It is co-sponsored by Johnson Bank and Catholic Financial Life.
- We will be hosting a Resource Fair in May 2017.

- Regarding Discipleship (Stewardship) “With All Our Hearts”, I hope to hear from the Archdiocese by the end of the month. There was a delay because 2 more parishes wanted to join.

**Schools Report: Beth Eichman, Director of Education**

- Catholic Schools Week went well.
- Registration is in full swing. CHOICE Applications are now in process.
- We have picked up students from St. Joseph’s Academy since they will not be adding a 6<sup>th</sup> grade. They plan on adding another lower grade where the need is.
- We have not heard of anyone leaving for Augustine Prep.
- Our K4’s are ahead of last year’s numbers.
- RightStep – other building interest.
- Planning for next year, we are moving to a Trimester system. Report Cards will be given three times at the 12 week mark.
- The Archdiocese has produced a Standards Based Grading and Assessment Policy. We are introducing it this Friday. Each school has the freedom to implement it the best way for them.
- We have been working on spending our extra Title Funds on Professional Development. Right now we are adding days to our ELL Coaching and several of us are attending a two day conference about the Standards Based Grading and Assessment Policy in April.
- I attended a Mission Insite day at the Archdiocese on Saturday, February 11, 2017. I can see uses that include recruitment for our schools with this program.

**Break:**

**Finance Council Report: Vicki**

- We had conversations for the Budget at our February meeting. We start budget preparation at our March meeting.
- We talked about the roof leak in SH Church (see Fr. Mike’s Report).
- The stained glass windows at SH need to be restored but Fr. Mike is still waiting for Stained Glass Companies to call him back for bids..

**Committee Reports:**

**Lifelong Faith Formation: Dean and Beth**

- Beth mentioned that we will have Confirmation on Saturday, March 18, 2017 at SA Church at 10 a.m.

**Human Concerns: Janice**

- Our Advent Project raised \$3,200.
- We will be doing Rice Bowls for Lent.
- We will have Soup and Prayer on Sunday, March 26, 2017. Fr. Mike Wolfe will be our guest speaker.

**Prayer and Worship: Herman**

- The 100 years of Our Lady of Fatima anniversary will be on May 13, 2017. Fr. Wolfe hopes to get Robert to do a concert at St. John Paul II Parish to celebrate this anniversary.

- The approved minutes of November 15, 2016 were included in the council packets for the members to read.
- Fr. Wolfe mentioned that he is still looking for someone from the 8:30 a.m. Spanish Mass to join the Prayer and Worship Committee.
- We had a Prayer and Worship meeting on Tuesday January 17, 2017. Our next meeting is Tuesday, February 21, 2017.

**Stewardship: Janice**

- As Fr. Wolfe mentioned, we will be having a Resource Fair in May 2017.
- Fr. Wolfe mentioned that we will be having a Parish Faith Book page.
- We are waiting to hear from “With All Our Hearts” people/contacts at the Archdiocese. Fr. Wolfe mentioned that he hopes to hear from them by the end of the month (see Fr. Wolfe’s report).

**New Business: None**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. with a closing prayer (the “Our Father”) said by all. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, March 14, 2017 after the 6:30 p.m. Bilingual Lenten Vespers at SH Church, and then going to the Parish Office, meeting room #2.

Respectfully submitted by,

Anita L. Wucherer, Parish Pastoral Council Secretary