

St. Theresa Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

February 5, 2018- Rectory Meeting Room

Present: L. Clay, B.Zell, C.Krestan, J.Plahuta, C.Markham, G. Jolliffe, D.Sterzinger and K. Scherbarth (via Phone)

Excused: Fr. Ed, C. Chacon, E. Kupkovits, L. Klingler

Guests: Mary Markham, Mike Jaehn

Call to Order and Opening Prayer: Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Opening prayer by Lee Clay.

Lee requested that we “adjust” the agenda for this meeting because of a matter regarding Family Promise. Mary Markham and Mike Jaehn spoke about some concerns regarding the future of the program. They specifically wanted to know if Family Promise would continue to have the support and blessings of St. Theresa Parish and the Pastoral Council. They stated that with the death of Fr. Mick, they did not know who to contact or to report any issues. A discussion followed with the Council being made aware of some of the problems that Family Promise faces in dealing with schedules and other activities Lee advised that it might be a good idea to have a liaison person from Family Promise that would give a report to the Council through the Human Concerns Committee. Mike Jaehn explained that it would be helpful to have a plan or rules and direction so that when the new Pastor/Administrator is assigned, there is a procedure in place.

Mary Markham gave the dates of upcoming Family Promise weeks. They are as follows: March 4-11, June 10-17, September 9-16 and December 23-30. Mary explained that the Family Promise leadership sets the families up in a hotel for Christmas. The last item discussed was when Family Promise falls on a Fish Fry Friday. It was determined by the Council that the Parish would pay for the meals of the guest families.

We thanked Mary and Mike for their continued service to this cause before they left the meeting.

Approval of Minutes:

There were no additions or corrections to the December minutes; minutes were approved. It was mentioned that having the email minutes sent in two (2) forms made it possible for everyone to see the minutes. Council members were encouraged to read the minutes and make any corrections or additions to D. Sterzinger as soon as possible.

Old Business- A brief review of the January 22, 2018 Cluster meeting was discussed. K. Scherbarth (via phone) suggested that the deadline dates, as discussed at the meeting, be set. She said by May 1st, each parish should have the names of representatives submitted. By May 15th, the Council members should discern which four (4) will be going to the training in the Fall.

New Business- Lee reminded us that there is a meeting at St. James parish at 6:30-8:30 p.m. on Tuesday February 6, 2018 to express our vision for the new Pastor.

We discussed a possible “Council Corner” to be placed in the church bulletin/web site explaining more about the Council: members, duties, etc. It was also requested that we determine if there is enough room on the web site to have the Council Minutes posted, so more parishioners would have access to them.

C. Krestan volunteered to take minutes for the March council meeting in the absence of D. Sterzinger, secretary

Also, L. Clay requested that committee reports be submitted a week prior to the next Council meeting if possible, in order to set the agenda.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Building & Grounds-Craig M. reported that he and one other showed up for their meeting, so there was no meeting. However, the sound system has been installed and seems to be working well.

Feasibility-Bill Z. stated there is a meeting set for February 28, 2018 at the request of Fr. Ed.

Finance-Bill Z. explained that the committee is working on the budget and should have it ready for the May Council meeting. He asked Kathy S. for the figures for pledges vs revenue, which Kathy said she would get to him

Religious Formation-Claudette K. reported that she knows that the last formation class is March 11th. Confirmation is this month and 1st Communion is scheduled for April. She also mentioned that she is stepping down from her teaching position after over 20 years.

Adult Formation/Human Concerns-Julianne asked for volunteers (2) to make soup for the upcoming “Soup for the Soul” Lenten series at St. James, starting February 21st, 2018. There are four (4) evenings during Lent, starting at 6:00 p.m. St. Theresa has the first week to host and needs to have some homemade soup to serve.

Liturgy-Darlene S. gave a report from the January 17th meeting. Lenten reflection books were selected, and the Lenten and Holy Week schedule was presented.

Stewardship-Kathy S. had submitted her written report for the Council prior to the meeting. The report shows that 54% of registered parishioners pledged to support the Parish. Kathy stated that the Time and Talent portion of Stewardship kicks off the weekend of March 10th and ends the weekend of May 14, 2018. More details will be available at the next meeting.

Lee asked for a volunteer to say the opening prayer for our next meeting, something she would like to start for future meetings Steve Gorichanaz volunteered.

We ended with a Hail Mary. The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Next Meeting: **March 5, 2018 – 7:00 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted by Darlene Sterzinger