

# Our Lady of Victory/Our Lady of Snow Minutes

February 6, 2017 630 Our Lady of Victory Education Center

Meeting called by Chris Russell (President)  
Type of meeting Pastoral Council  
Facilitator Chris Russell  
Note taker Angela Sheehan (Secretary)

Attendees  
Fr. Patterson, Chris Carroll , , David Benjamin,  
Gloria Kieber, Julie Darling, Chris Russell, Angela Sheehan, Peter Ogno, Brian Lewis, Kim Loccisano, Adrienne Villano, Adam Feisthamel, Mary Wootten, Sara Detmer. Chuck Ciaccia, Maureen Cox, Adam Feisthamel  
Excused:, Pat Ivory,  
Guests: Mary Eaton, Vici Armsby

## OPENING PRAYER- EVANGELIZATION PRAYER BY CHRIS CARROLL- EVERYONE RECITED

Agenda topic *Mission Statement* | Presenter Adam Feisthamel

Peter Ogno and Julie Darling approved minutes

### Agenda topic- Pastor's Report

Father states that the Bishop asks that we read Heart Aflame Eucharistic Congress, this is a large Diocesan Gathering being held September 22, 2018. Father read the letter explaining this event, (Letter Attached)

Need to appoint someone outside the council to coordinate this event, someone with organizational skills,

Discussion about how to promote this event:

Chris Russell- talk about it early and often

Peter Ogno- put pictures up on Screens

Julie Darling- send out Save the Date

Father- post on website

Mary Eaton- Promotional material will be mailed out in April to coordinator

Adam Feinsthamel- rent buses

Mary Eaton- to use it at the beginning of Youth Ministry- tie into the Summit possibly?

Chris Russell- summit is being held 6 weeks later

Father Patterson- this will take the place of the Autumn Gathering

Chris Russell- move Summit to Spring

Julie Darling- use energy of major event to use later at the summit, hard to go to both, summit would be a good place to follow up.

Mary Eaton- Use an affirmation instead of the Summit and use it for the ministries

Adam Feinsthamel- Could turn it into a retreat

Father Patterson- If we did a follow up it would put people who did not attend the Eucharistic Congress on the same page as the ones who did attend- could be exercising Intentional Discipleship, the coordinator chose will receive the packet and be the contact person

## Capital Campaign

Campaign is really for reigniting our faith, which is what the Bishop said last weekend at mass

Monies are primarily for Evangelization

Father is enjoying this campaign- met with many people-as many as 30- a committee was formed it went out to ask people for money- they meet every Tuesday morning for a half hour- our goal is \$511,000 and so far we have received \$326,000 from 43 couples

Bishop came to celebrate 2 masses with a reception last weekend. He will be going to OLS last w/e of February

He is trying to be a good shepherd for us,

Asking the question: where are we going as Church,

Our Lady of Victory is one of ten pilot parishes for the Capital Campaign

Holy Spirit in Gloversville and us are to create a video to encourage other parishes to do this.

Bishop made it clear it is not about the money but about the cause of the churches to strengthen them

## Agenda topic

Host for Haiti

Vici Armsby reporting:

Reception will be back at Siena College this year, held on 10/13/18 weekend at 5 pm.

Speaker will be at the next Pastoral Council meeting

It will be left up to us what we want to do this year:

Sunat will be visiting us Friday, Saturday or Sunday

The Event will be open to everyone for dinner which is 60.00 per person as a fundraiser

We could put the event on here- it is generally not a kid friendly event but it could be if we want to

We could have a babysitting service and workers will need Virtus training and an adult to support them

Ticket sales-thru the website from the Board-not ours- open to everyone not just our parishioners

OLV/OLS raised over \$20,000

Max replaced the jars

It will be warm enough for a chicken barbecue from Knights

We could do a Family Fun Day, Circus

Have a video booth to make a video to send to Haiti

Have different pricing for children

Gloria Keiber asking for Volunteers to hand out canisters at the masses this weekend for "Change for Change"

K-6 families already got theirs

Mention at masses don't take a canister if you don't have any intention on filling it, there are no holes in the canisters this year, Peter Ognio suggest Business Canisters- send canisters to local businesses

March 17 & 18 the canisters are due back, need to collect them on time because we have an arrangement with SEFCU to count the money.

### **Agenda topic** Ministry Follow up

Sign up available for liaison for ministries

Survey responses reported from Adrienne Villano and were anonymous responses:

Get word out sooner

Open to everyone

Didn't bring ministries together

Listen to speaker

Didn't do a good job to say it was for everyone

Parish Summit- to learn about ministries

1<sup>st</sup> year of holding the Summit- it was held primarily for ministry leadership- so they could meet each other

2<sup>nd</sup> year of holding the Summit- Council wanted to make it bigger and we didn't get the word out – we realize we need to plan in advance, we were afraid of overflow

3<sup>rd</sup> year of holding the Summit- we plan on opening it up to everyone and have a ministry theme-delegate portions of it to the ministries- they could combine and work together- describe artifact table- have more discussion on how it can be more intentional disciples- give ministries enough time to plan- to form a planning committee next month- summit to be held on April 21, 2019 in the Spring and pull pieces from the Eucharistic Congress- the Pastoral Council and appointed Coordinator will be responsible for this. Motivational Speaker for this year's Summit to speak on Intentional Discipleship- keeping in mind the survey said folks want to be listened to and want more time to talk to each other.

Liaisons are to:

Communicate to parish plan of events including the Eucharistic Congress, Circus and Summit

### **Agenda topic- Officer Openings**

Vice-President open

Secretary open

Nominations are to be announced at next meeting to give enough time for training- email or text Chris with nominations- Chris will nominate if no one sends in names- we will use the discernment process to fill vacancies- we need candidates nominated in order to discern

## Agenda topic-Ear to the Ground

Adrienne asks if there is training for active shooter

There is an active shooter seminar geared mainly for the school- will be installing a key box with the same code for every church and school so the Fire and Police departments have access to enter. Deputy Phelps is has faith based training for churches and worships sites- he will come to represent to parish families and the Dioceses is suggesting this kind of seminar- ushers are to be made more noticeable- doors are to be locked after 5 minutes of the mass starting, use cell phones to communicate to each other while mass is going on, discussion of possible carrying a gun, be a gatekeeper and someone with a concealed weapon- there is a need to have active shooter drills= lollipop lockdowns

We need to pray about this and invite OLS- situational awareness

Peter Ogno and Adrienne Villano move to adjourn

Father Patterson led closing prayer- all recited Re-igniting Our Faith

### ACTION ITEMS

### PERSON RESPONSIBLE

### DEADLINE

Select coordinator for Eucharistic Congress

People to hand out canisters

4pm- Adrienne

730 Adam and Vici

915 Kim and Chris

1130 Brian, Vici and Gloria

Ministry Liaisons to communicate to Ministries:  
Eucharistic Congress, Circus and Summit

Send in Nominations to Chris before next meeting for  
Vice president and Secretary vacancies

Next meeting March 6, 2018 630 Parish Center