

QUEEN OF APOSTLES PASTORAL COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

Chairperson: Christy Rosenberger
Date/Time: Wednesday, March 15, 2022 6:30 p.m.

Secretary/ Minutes: Stephanie Fong
Location: Grellinger Hall

Participants: Chris Behrndt, Debbie Bisswurm, Ellen Donley, Father Chuck,, Tom Farley, Stephanie Fong, Cindy Klopp, Christy Rosenberger, Dale Servais

Excused: Tim Dondlinger, Becky Wagner

Guests: Debbie Esser (Stewardship), Pat Quinn-Casper (Stewardship), Judy Hushka (Stewardship), Liz Kuhn (LifeLong Faith Formation), John Schueller (Finance Council), Gerry Parenteau (Human Concerns), Mary Tannis (Prayer & Worship), Lisa Miles (Staff).

Item	Discussion	Next Steps & Responsible Party
Welcome and Prayer	The meeting began on time with a prayer. Christy expressed her gratitude for all in attendance.	Provided by Christy
Introductions	All in attendance introduced themselves and shared the commission they work with at QoA	
Minutes	The minutes were approved	
Father Chuck / trustee report	<p>Father's report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Father thanked all in attendance, including the Parish Council, the Envisioning Team, the different commissions and staff who all help our parish run so smoothly. We are in the heart of Lent. There will be Reconciliation at QoA on Saturday, March 18 at 10 am and at St. Anthony's on Wednesday, March 22 at 6:30 pm. In addition, several churches are available for Reconciliation from 8 am - 8 pm on Wednesday, March 29th. These parishes will be listed in the bulletin. A special shout out to Brian McLinden, who is the Director of the Archdiocese Choir and will be leading for masses at the Cathedral, including the Chrism Mass on Tuesday of Holy Week.. Father Chuck will be preaching at the Spring Priest assembly Jubilee Mass. Father is personally celebrating his 40th year since ordination. All parishes have been given permission to distribute communion under both species, although we have not received guidance regarding specific teaching that should be done as we bring back the Cup. This is a matter being discussed in P&W. We would likely begin again on Holy Thursday, which is the celebration of the Institution of the Eucharist. <p>Trustee (Dale's) report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Love One Another (LOA) campaign was a huge success. We will be discussing the priorities for using the funds in our next meeting. Our Fish Fries have been outstanding! We ran out of fish and shrimp at the last gathering. New people are stepping up to help. Funeral lunches are also returning 	
Commission and Strategic Plan updates	<p>Lifelong Faith Formation (Cindy / Liz)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Classes have been going well. Our intern, Ellie, is not sure if she will be returning next year. She is certainly welcome to, as she has been a great asset. Preparations for First Communion and Confirmation are underway. 	

- We are planning a pancake breakfast for middle and high school families.
- The Disciple Maker envisioning is the Adult Formation piece at QoA and is also going well. Our spring offerings are underway. We would like to encourage more small groups to form. Groups could study scripture, watch and discuss books / movies. The Archdiocese will provide training. Father highlighted the success of the Tuesday morning Blessed Breakfast after Mass. Debbie Bisswurm is leading a book club, which is also going well. On May 22, there will be a small group interest night at 6:30 pm to collaborate and brainstorm new ideas for groups.

Human Concerns (Debbie B / Gerry Parenteau)

- The Bereavement ministry has not started up again yet.
- The Funeral luncheons are beginning again under the coordination of Becky Wagner
- Prayer Shawl and Mercy Mats continue their important ministries. The Mercy Matters have donated 168 mats to the MacCannon Brown Homeless Sanctuary.
- Gerry and Bonnie continue to do Home Outreach visits.
- Christian Women hosted their Three Kings Dinner in January and will be having an Easter Basket sale to benefit the School Sisters of St. Francis. They also added \$800 to a \$200 donation to SVDP
- Trivia is starting again, another great fundraiser for the parish
- The Respect Life baby bottle drive raised an amazing \$5545.82, and more baby bottles continue to come in.. There is also a Holy Hour for Life on the 3rd Monday of each month.
- The Band will be singing at the Brookfield Highlands in April
- SVDP could use help from volunteers who are good at fixing cars. Liz suggested a potential young volunteer. SVDP bingo has raised \$16142 since May of 2021 for QoA. The SVDP meal program is tomorrow and continues to do hybrid serving.

Prayer and Worship (Mary Tannis / Ellen / Stephanie)

- Attendance at Mass continues to recover from Covid.
- We will be bringing back the Cup
- Preparations for Easter are in full swing. We are considering going back to assigning ministry positions using the MSP (Ministry Scheduler Pro) app. Currently people volunteer for the positions. There are sheets in the gathering space to sign up for different ministry positions for Holy Week.
- We will be promoting the Vianney Cenacle Prayer for Priests more.
- Rosary and Adoration prayers are going well.
- The E-Team (Environment Team) could use more help to change linens and decorations for the celebrations of Holy Week. There will be information in the bulletin. Changes for Palm Sunday will be 3/31 at 9am and after the 10:30 mass on Palm Sunday. Holy Thursday changes will happen Wednesday 4 / 5 at 1:30pm. The Altar of Repose will be in Grellinger Hall. We are looking for 10 volunteers to have their feet washed for Holy Thursday and 3 people for the Reception of the Holy Oils. Other environment changes will be Friday 4/7 at 9:30 and Saturday 4/8 at 9:30 am with a break the Blessing of foods at 10:30 am.

Stewardship (Debbie Esser, Pat Quinn-Casper, Judy Hushska, Stephanie Fong)

- The regular parish Stewardship campaign was a success. We did delay the beginning of the campaign because of the LOA campaign. Although we had less people participate, the average donation per person increased. Father recorded a special Thank You message for parishioners and this was sent out this past week. We created a list of parishioner talents that will serve as a great resource going forward.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Newcomer welcome event will be Sunday, April 23, after the 10:30 am mass. All PC members are invited to attend. • Stewardship hosted our first ever Souper Bowl on February 11/12. It was a huge success! We served approximately 140 people between all masses and ran out of soup! • May 20/21 the Knights of Columbus will host M&E to recognize Law Enforcement • Last November Stewardship hosted a gathering after Mass for All Souls Day. For this year's event, we are considering an idea where the family members participating bring a favorite dish of their loved one. • Adopt A Highway will be Earth day, April 22 also 8/5 and 10/21. • Bill Arnold and the Knights of Columbus will host M&E for Father's Day. Bill hopes to gain new members for the KoC. <p>Finance Council (Tom, Chris, John Schueller)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FC meets next week Tuesday (3/21) • John is working on the budget and will meet with all commissions <p>Strategic Plan / DMI Update (Christy) Father spoke about this earlier in the meeting. Nothing to add.</p>	
General Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Father appreciated Lisa Miles for coming to the meeting tonight as well. • Lisa reported that there have been some delays with the company producing the new parish directory. Other parishes are having similar problems, • Make sure to check with Lisa before scheduling events to make sure the space is available. • The Archdiocese is hosting a Eucharistic Congress on Saturday, June 10th at the Mary Mother of the Church Pastoral Center. The deadline to register is June 1. 	To register go to: www.archmil.org/revival
Next meeting	The next meeting will be Wednesday, April 19, 2023 at 6:30pm in Grellinger Hall	
Closing Prayer	The meeting ended with a prayer	Next prayer leader is Dale