

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH
WAYNESBORO, VA
Parish Pastoral Council Minutes
April 24, 2018 at 7 p.m.

Present: Father Rolo Castillo, Peggy Bischof, Libby Hobbs, Marge March, Joe Sprangel, Janine Blanchet, Deacon David Kohut , Maria Moore, Sara Meade, Mason Hulen, Nichole Nicholson, and Julie Chappell

Not Present: Tracey Le, Mary Katharine Froehlich, and Lee Bares

Approval of Minutes: March minutes were approved as written.

Spiritual and Pastoral Formation and Opening Prayer: Sara led us in a reflection on gifts of Easter with a focus on the Eucharist. Readings from the Catechism and “The Living Bread”, by Thomas Merton were the basis of reflection.

Building Update: The building committee is interviewing 2 contractors before the next meeting on the 15th. Next building renovation meeting in June. Site work has begun.

Parish Pastoral Council Election Process/Timeline: – Sub-committee (Joe, Nichole, Janine, Julie) Libby provided update on the process. At this point, we have 6 photos and bios of candidates. Two additional people (Megan Bayonet and Dan Toft) may meet individually with Libby for discernment. Libby has sent emails and made phone calls to try to schedule. She is waiting for replies.

5 current members are completing terms this year: Dave, Lee, Peggy, Nichole, Mary Katherine, and Tracy. Peggy and Lee volunteered to serve an additional year on council. Therefore, we need to replace four 3-year term members. One person has already decided this is not her time.

Timeline

4/27/18 Bios due to get printed. Distribution on May 5th & 6th and May 12th & 13th. We need people to make announcements and others to hand out. Joe will make sure announcements are covered.

Volunteers to hand out bios:

5/5 Marge & Dave or enlisted volunteer

5/6 8:30 Julie & Joe 11:30 Sara & Maria

5/12 Peggy & Marge

5/13 8:30 Janine & Joe 11:30 Sara & Libby

Ballot distribution – table at each door – remind people to write legibly

5/26 Marge & Peggy

5/27 8:30 Janine & Nichole 11:30 Dave & Sara

6/2 Marge & recruited volunteer

6/3 8:30 Mason & Joe 11:30 Libby & Nichole

6/3 – Libby, Sara, & Nichole will count ballots after 11:30 mass

6/9 & 6/10 New members announced by Fr. Rolo

Parish Council Goal Reports

- Gather Social Justice Ministries Under a Unified Mission – Mary Katharine (Leader): Dave noted that the interview results were reviewed at the last meeting. Nichole noted there's another meeting set to identify a format/guideline for ministries. Mary Katharine would like time on the next meeting agenda to discuss recommendations.
- Proclaim the Joy of our Catholic Identity – Mason (Leader)
 - Nichole has been successful with t-shirt orders, with minimal unpaid orders. We have successfully kicked off the promotion and it is now handed over to the office.
 - Some other objectives, such as collecting bios and witness stories for the web are still being developed.
- Integrate Community Life Activities – Dave (Leader)
 - “Post-It” questions were done at all Lenten Meals
 - Another meeting needs to be scheduled to review objectives
- Promote a Culture of Hospitality – Libby (Leader)
 - Permission slips still need to be added to the new member packets.
 - Discussed recruiting a welcoming committee.
 - Doodle poll will be sent to schedule next meeting.
- Rediscover the Rich Diversity of the Catholic Liturgy – Marge (Leader)
 - A meeting of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion was held on April 14th; facilitated by Linda Thompson. There were 32 out of 52 ministers present. Experiences of serving at Liturgy were discussed. A new effort to organize a Eucharistic Ministry to the Sick and Homebound, and Those in Prison was presented. The plan was well received and 16 of the ministers present volunteered immediately. Instructional guidelines were distributed for Liturgical Ministry and for a Ministry to the Sick. An Order of Communion in Ordinary Circumstances was distributed.
 - 1000 Parishioner Cards were made that list the name of the Parish, address, etc. and say, “Please call the priest at the parish phone number.” These cards are available by the church entrances. It was announced at mass.
- Ministry for Elderly and Homebound – Sarah Miller
 - Volunteers are up to 23.
 - Sarah Miller and Bruce Fenton have met to plan first steps and will meet again with Anne Massie.
 - VIRTUS training is needed for volunteers and it will be scheduled in the next month.
 - Bruce is making a copy of parishioners who are 70 or older, to assist with matching volunteers to elderly.
 - Sarah hopes to have 3 lists ready for pick up at the end of the week. Plan is to start with those 90 and over. There are 23 in this age group.

New Business: We need a volunteer to coordinate summer donuts and coffee for the ministries to serve after masses on Sunday (June-August). Nichole coordinated last summer and has clear directions written, well as contacts and spreadsheets. Coordinator needs to line up schedule for ministries, communicate for announcements, and stock supplies in the beginning. Scheduling needs to begin soon, as well as announcements to make ministries aware. Julie volunteered to coordinate (with the guidance of Nichole.) Nichole will send all the information via email to Julie to get started ASAP. PPC members will need to volunteer to cover each weekend in the summer. We will address this at our May meeting.

New Parishioner Registration:

April 28th/29th

5:00 p.m. – Sara

8:30 a.m. – Joe

11:30 a.m. – Lee

May 19th/20th

5:00 p.m. – Peggy

8:30 a.m. – Janine

11:30 a.m. – Mary Katherine

June 23rd/24th

5:00 p.m. – Marge & new member

8:30 a.m. – Mason

11:30 a.m. - Libby

Spiritual Formation for Parish Council Meeting in May: Libby – Fr. Rolo suggested to use gospel reading

Closing Prayer for May: Dave

Next meetings: May 22nd and June 26th; no meeting in July; August 28th

Closing Prayer and Adjournment: Marge led the closing prayer.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Secretary Name: Julie Chappell for Nichole Nicholson