

Peace of Christ Parish
Pastoral Council Meeting
St. John the Evangelist Church Hall
Tuesday, April 10, 2018

Attendance: Fr. Tim Brown, Bruce Cavallaro, Carolyn Conrow, Bob Crego, Drew Desmarais, Alan Dickinson, Joanne Driscoll, Rick Eisenman, Joan Frazier, Carol Fuchs, Rob Layer, Jean McClure, Sue Morrison, Fr. Carlos Sanchez, Fr. Robert Schrader, Mary Ellen Steele, and Sr. Marlene Vigna RSM

Excused: Joe Dilal, Sean Manfreda, Elizabeth Mang and Joyce Raymond

Scribe: Goldie Rogers

Meeting opened at 7:00 pm

- **Opening Prayer** – Bruce Cavallaro
- **Approval of February Minutes and April Agenda**

A motion was made and seconded to accept the February Minutes and the April agenda as written.

- **Open Forum** – No one present

- **Councilor's Concerns**

Alan announced that the Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring a Chicken Dinner on May 23rd to benefit the New Uniform Project for the school.

A parishioner approached a member of council with a concern that the announcements at Mass are too lengthy. This initiated considerable discussion. Every attempt is made to keep announcements to a minimum. As a rule, there is a short mention and a reminder to read the church bulletin for further information.

Another concern was the lack of baby-changing facilities at the St. Ambrose and St. James sites. This will require further research as to how this might be accomplished.

Left-over Item from February Council Meeting

Future of Parish Dinner/Raffle Fundraising event – Bob Crego

Raffle Tickets are available at the three sites for pick-up. Cerame's Catering will be in charge of the meal for the Dinner. Help will be needed to set up Dailey Hall on the Friday before the dinner. A reminder that television sets cannot be recycled at the Recycling Event.

Bob made the suggestion to combine the Raffle Sale and the Annual Dinner as part of the responsibility of Parish Council. Not necessarily that someone on Council take over but that someone shadow him so that another person is familiar with all the details involved. There are regulations involved that require close monitoring with the Parish Finance Director, Patty Macera, because she is accountable to the Gaming Commission and the Auditors. Alan Dickinson offered to work with Bob.

The possibility of switching the date of the Annual Dinner and the Volunteer Party was suggested. This discussion was tabled for a later date.

➤ **Community Outreach Update** – Rick Eisenman

The posters have been placed at the three sites. Rob plans to put the poster on an easel at St. John's for easier viewing. This would be a good idea for all the sites. We have two new work areas, the Butterfly Boutique and St. Mark's & St. John's Episcopal Church.

➤ **ChristLife Follow-up** – Rob Layer

Plans are being made to present the next module on Wednesday evenings, starting September 12 and ending October 24. A training session has been planned on April 28 which conflicts with Outreach Day. The first module will be repeated but on a different evening. The question was raised if there has been any noticeable increase in attendance as a result of this program. Fr. Bob explained that the data is being compiled but no figures as yet, usually not until after the 3rd module. Sometimes more than one cycle is needed before results can be seen. It is hoped that volunteer facilitators will be set up prior to the actual series. More help from the different groups will be needed to help with the meal.

➤ **Youth Report** – No one present

After listening to Dr. Dan Yawman's presentation on Monday, March 19, the youth group was inspired to put his words into action. They plan to assist at Foodlink's Tuesday morning grocery handouts this summer along with Social

Ministry as well as area food pantries. They will help the First Communicants on Saturday, April 14 at St. James, volunteer at Community Outreach Day on Saturday, April 28 and serve at the last family gathering on April 30. In May, there is a "Run for the Young" at St. Lawrence Church; a year-end pizza party is planned, and finally, they will be assisting at the Vacation Bible Camp from July 23 – 27.

➤ **Finance/CMA Report/200 Club** - Fr. Bob Schrader

Fr. Bob distributed the financial report as of 3/31/18. We have reached 116% of our CMA goal. One-half of any overage is returned to the parish at the end of the campaign in May. The collection has remained flat. The Time/Talent/Treasure forms will be sent out soon. He will be encouraging parishioners to review their commitment and adjust their offerings accordingly. The 200 Club applications are coming in and about one-quarter of the 200 needed have been received.

➤ **Parish Covenant Review** – Rick Eisenman

Rick added an appendix to the Covenant listing additional Pastoral Council Activities. Resulting from the discussion regarding the Parish Raffle/Annual Dinner, the item "Organize the Annual Dinner and Ticket Raffle" was added to the appendix. A further correction was made under Membership reading as follows: The parochial vicars and the pastoral associates serve..... The number three was removed. A move was made and seconded to accept the covenant. It will read ratified April 10, 2018. A copy will be posted on the website.

➤ **School Update** – Fr. Bob

Fr. Bob is pleased with the financial support from parishioners as well as from the Knights of Columbus toward the purchase of new uniforms for the students at St. Ambrose Academy for next year. Plans are in the works for a Gala to be held on Friday, September 7, 2018. Mrs. Jackie Senecal, Principal, has reached out to the Holy Cross School for information on how they went about planning their Gala. Fr. Bob made the suggestion that perhaps a contact could be made to Jack Polvino, an alumni of the school.

➤ **RocACTS** – Bruce, Carolyn, Joanne, Fr. Bob

Bruce will be meeting with his group on April 16. The Annual Banquet & Silent Auction Fund-raiser is scheduled for Sunday, April 22 at Harro East, 155 N. Chestnut Street. Carolyn's group met last Tuesday, the 3rd. Joanne's

group will be visiting childcare centers and conducting interviews in the Beechwood Neighborhood. Fr. Bob will be attending the Banquet on April 22nd.

The Upper North Winton Village Group will be meeting on Friday, April 20th at St. John's. Fr. Bob will be doing the opening prayer. All are invited.

➤ **Nominating Committee Update – Sue**

Ballot boxes are at the three sites. Seven nominations have been received to date. Council members are encouraged to recommend possible candidates.

➤ **Housekeeping**

The Welcome Table schedule was distributed and filled for April 21/22.

➤ **Closing Prayer – Carol Fuchs**

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm

Opening Prayer: Jean McClure
Closing Prayer: Sue Morrison
Hospitality: Joyce Raymond

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 8, 2018, 7 – 9 pm –St. John's Church Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Goldie Rogers