

Peace of Christ Parish
Pastoral Council Meeting
Wednesday, May 9, 2017
St. John the Evangelist Church Hall

Attendance: Fr. Tim Brown, Bruce Cavallaro , Bob Crego, Drew Desmarais, Joe Dilal, Joanne Driscoll, Rick Eisenman, Joan Frazier, Carol Fuchs, Ann Holstrom, Augie Misiurewicz, Jean McClure, Joyce Raymond, Fr. Robert Schrader, Ruth Tanner and Sr. Marlene Vigna

Absent/Excused: Stephanie Lewis, Katie Onorato, Mark Mang and Fr. Carlos Sanchez

Scribe: Goldie Rogers

Meeting opened at 7:05 pm

- **Opening Prayer** – Marlene/Joan
- **Approval of Minutes and Agenda**

A motion was made and seconded to accept the April Minutes as written and the May agenda as amended (without the Youth report).

- **Open Forum** – no one present
- **Councilor's Concerns**

The matter of updating the welcome packet which was tabled in February to be revisited at the meeting in April was discussed. Some of the Council members made contacts with other parishes. The packet from Church of the Assumption in Fairport is given out after a person has registered and it has a letter from the pastor, a stewardship report with an overview of the parish along with a CD. Two other parishes were contacted and they do not have a packet but one parish was considering developing one. Upon discussion, it appears that the packet at St. James has an information form that proves helpful in follow-up. Consideration will be given to including this form in all packets at the three sites. In addition, Fr. Bob will compose a letter to be included in the packet. The suggestion was made that it would be a good idea to have packets available on other than Welcome Table Weekends.

Fr. Bob mentioned that some ideas may come out of the Discovering Christ Conference which members of the Parish Staff will be attending on May 19-20, 2017. ChristLife is partnering with the Diocese of Rochester to provide comprehensive training on a friendship and hospitality centric evangelization process for parishes.

Fr. Bob confirmed that the Church Picnic will be held on Sunday, September 10 on the St. James Church grounds. It worked out well last year. This site is desirable for many reasons, one important one being that in the event of rain the parishioners would be able to use the Hall.

Ann has been contacted by the North Winton Village Art Festival committee. It is scheduled for Saturday, September 16, 10 am – 5 pm at the Linear Garden between East Main Street

and Mayfield Street. Joanne offered to help Ann again and Joyce volunteered also. Ann will check with Katie to see if she will help again. Ann will take care of the application details at the Parish Office.

➤ **Parish Dinner/Raffle/Car Wash/Recycling Update –Bob C.**

To date, we have taken in \$5845 in raffle sales which works out to a grand prize of almost \$2200. We have sold more tickets this year but with the 10 for \$100 bargain not as much money is realized. Raffle tickets may be purchased up to and including the evening of the dinner. 129 dinner tickets have been sold. We have had 24 orders for the T-shirts. The order forms for the T-shirts are available at the three sites, the parish office and will be available at the dinner and after the dinner.

The question form has been published in the Church Bulletin and is to be handed in prior to the dinner. This will give Fr. Bob an opportunity to review them before that evening.

Arrangements are being finalized for the delicious dinner entrees. Beer, wine, soft drinks and water will be served. Set-up is scheduled for 4 pm on Friday, May 19. Helpers are welcome. Bob C. had a special request for Council. He asked if Council members would each donate one package of brick cheese for the 5 - 6 pm Social Hour. He has a supply of crackers. This would be a special event – the Social Hour sponsored by Pastoral Council. Everyone is in agreement.

It was also noted that a special invitation should be extended to Fr. Bob Werth as he was a part of our early years as Peace of Christ.

The Recycling/Car Wash Event will be held on Saturday, June 17th, 9 am – 1 pm at St. Ambrose. Youth Ministry members have volunteered to help with this event.

➤ **Community Outreach Day (Saturday, April 29) – Rick**

This was a very successful event with about 70 volunteers helping with the projects at seven different locations. The suggestion was made that it would be a good idea to put the projects on the website to make it easier to review the projects prior to signing up on the posters at the church sites. Also, to have the site coordinator visit the neighborhood location a few days ahead to determine what supplies might be needed (trash bags, rakes, etc.) Rick volunteered to coordinate the Community Outreach Day for next year.

Fr. Bob thanked everyone for their help and especially the Women's Auxiliary for their assistance in the kitchen.

➤ **Youth Report – no report**

➤ **Financial Report & Discussion – Fr. Bob**

Fr. Bob distributed the financial report as of 4/30/17 and reviewed the Mass attendance and collection figures. To date, we have received \$122% of our goal for the Catholic Ministries Appeal. Comparing last year's figures for this period – collections and attendance are up.

➤ **School Update** – Fr. Bob

The School/YMCA program is having an Open House on May 16. The registration for this coming year is ahead of last year's figure and it includes some new families to the school. A targeted mailing is going out to two zip codes with school age children in the near future. The announcement of those families who applied for urban/suburban placement will be announced shortly. Hopefully, any family who did not get that placement may choose to register at St. John Neumann School. Tuition has been lowered for non-parish families. Fr. Bob encouraged everyone to extend an invitation to any friends or family with school age children to attend the Open House. The possible name change for the school will be addressed in the Fall so if there is a change, it will be in place for registration for 2018-19 school year.

➤ **Nominating Committee Update** – Rick

Nomination forms for openings on Pastoral Council are available at the three sites. Ballots may be placed in the boxes provided or at the parish office. Nominations will be accepted until Sunday, May 13. After review by the parish staff, the committee will make calls to determine if the nominee is open to serving for a three year term if selected. The names are drawn the weekend of Pentecost Sunday, June 3 and 4.

➤ **Housekeeping** – Ann

There are still openings for the Welcome Table for May. Ann will make a few telephone calls.

➤ **Closing Prayer** - Jean

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm

Next meeting: June 13, 2017, 7 – 9 pm at St. John Church Hall

Respectfully submitted,
Goldie Rogers

Opening Prayer: Bruce
Closing Prayer: Carol
Refreshments: Ruth