

Pastoral Council Annual Summary

September 2019 – June 2020

September 2019 Summary

The Pastoral Council retreat was held on September 7th at St. John's. The Retreat included meditation on several psalms, prayer, lunch, and introductions. Members began reviewing our Vision Statement. The first meeting of Pastoral Council occurred on September 10th. The Vision Statement, goals #1-3, were reviewed and amended. A subcommittee was formed to update our Welcome Packet and streamline the procedure for Registration in the Parish. Five Pastoral Council volunteers staffed the POC booth at the North Winton Village festival held on September 14th. Enrollment at St. Ambrose Academy is up slightly over last year.

October 2019 Summary

John Griffith's replacement has been hired on a part time basis for now. Research is ongoing as to the process of replacing Mathew Grosodonia on the council. A subcommittee for parish registration continues to clarify the procedure in which new members register in the parish. Parish Council youth report states that the candy sale for the Notre Dame Vision Summer Conference is going well. The next fund raiser will occur in December. Responses are in regarding what council members felt were important to include in a parish survey. These will be put into a simple survey format to be in place by December. Our Catholic Ministries Appeal goal remains the same as last year. Review of Vision Statement is ongoing.

November 2019 Summary

Robert Meisenzahl was introduced to Parish Council. He is replacing Matthew Grosodonia. The Vision Statement continues to be reviewed and updated. Parish Council youth reported several events and activities in the upcoming months. Our CMA pledges have reached 51% of our Appeal goal. MaryEllen Steele is considering taking over the Education Task Force for ROC ACTS. Improvements to our welcome packet and process of registering new parishioners continues. The parishioner survey was reviewed and changes made. The updated survey will be reviewed at the next meeting.

December 2019 Summary

The KOC reported they will be hosting a tailgate party on Sunday, January 5. Details to follow. The Knight's donated 2 wheelchairs for the Center for Disability Rights. The Parish blood drive was held December 27. The final version of the Vision Statement was reviewed and accepted as written. Parish survey changes were made and is available for distribution. The Youth report included several activities and the Notre Dame vision fundraiser update was included. 53% of our CMA pledges have been reached to date. RocACTS representatives reported on their recent meetings. A welcome table flow chart was reviewed and will include Colleen Griffith's input. The Councilor Replacement Process was reviewed by Fr. Schrader.

January Summary 2020

Councilor's Concerns has taken on a new format. Every member will be given an opportunity to express any concerns they have personally or that has come to their attention by going around the table. This change has resulted in a variety of input: such as moving the announcements to the beginning of mass. Fr. Schrader stated that the proper placement of the announcements is at the end of mass. Influenza reminder posters have been posted at each site. Copies of the Parish survey were included in each bulletin. The return date is January 31, 2020. School enrollment is up. Work on the registration process of new parishoner's is ongoing. Several volunteers came forward to help during the council nominating process.

February Summary 2020

Community Outreach Day is Saturday, April 25th. Eric will compile an overview of the procedure to be followed in planning this event. Sign up sheets will be available a month in advance. The Vision Statement continues to be updated. Ken will put together an overview of the Parish Survey results for further discussion. A successful youth report and card writing session was held on January 23. Further sessions to follow. 108% of our goal of \$110,395 for Catholic Ministries Appeal has been pledged with actual receipts amounting to \$97,857 of the total pledged of \$119,873. Parish Council nomination process was reviewed. A poster displaying sample agenda, minutes, and Covenant, as well as current member photos and general information will be posted at each church location. A Welcome Packet discussion will take place Monday, March 23, at the conference room at the parish office with Fr. Schrader to finalize this process. The Covenant was updated.

March 2020

No meeting.

April Summary 2020 via Cisco Webex

Council members discussed the effects of COVID 19 on themselves and the community. The POC survey was addressed. There were approximately 150 responses, most of which were submitted from the age of 50 and older. A suggestion was made that a survey that targeted our youth in the parish could be developed. Members are to review the present survey and select ten points they consider most important to to implement. The youth report stated that greeting cards were written and sent to 51 homebound parishioners. The CYO Boy's Jr. Varsity Basketball Tournament was held and raised about \$1200. Fr. Bob reported that the pledged amount for CMA goal of \$110,395 is still short by about \$12,400. The teachers at St. Ambrose Academy are busy teaching the students at home with new technology. School enrollment for 2020-2021 had looked favorable. The parish dinner is on hold. The 200 club has received half of the number of parishioners needed at this date. Community Outreach Day has been cancelled. RocACTS focus is continuing on housing for the homeless. Criminal Justice is presently concerned with health care in the prisons. Notifications for PC nominees for 2020-2023 have been placed in the online bulletins, on face book and on the POC website. The Welcome Process procedure was sent to each member for feedback.

May Summary 2020

Meeting was held via Cisco Webex due to COVID-19 shutdown. The televised daily Mass has been well received. Members were reminded that the Pastoral Council Chair and Vice Chair are elected at the June meeting for 2020-2021. Council members need to let Ken know privately of their interest in either position. An online voting ballot will be created. Highlights from the Survey discussion were: proving a ramp at St. Ambrose, keeping youth active in the parish after they receive the sacraments, youth group continues to keep in touch with our homebound parishioners, and the creation of an online Youth Survey. Our CMA goal of \$110,395 has been reached. The deadline for payment is May 31. The stimulus grant for St. Ambrose Academy was approved. MaryEllen Steele will stay on Council another year to fill the opening left by the death of Eric Oswald. Out of 49 nominees for Parish Council 2020-2023, nine nominees agreed to be on Council. They are: Anne Ross, Carol Fuchs, MaryAnn Borelli, Kerry Flannery, Kay Kretschman, Kay Kurz, Mary Lochner, Shanna Sellers, and Guy Kevin Reed. (Two of these names were added later in the week). The hat draw is May 31. Welcome Table Review continues with much discussion and will be addressed at the June meeting.

June Summary 2020

The meeting was held via Cisco Webex. After voting, Ken Klamm was named Chair for 2020-2021, and Karen Costello is the Vice Chair for 2020-2021. Our new members were introduced and welcomed: Anne Ross, MaryAnn Borelli, Carol Fuchs, and Kerry Flannery. Thank you to those that are willing to replace any member if needed: Kay Kurz, Guy Kevin Reed, Shanna Sellers, Kay Kretschman, and Mary Lochner. Our two Youth representatives remain on Council for another term: Lola DeAscentis and Raymond Warth. Ken provided a sample template for the Welcome Packet.

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