

Peace of Christ Parish

Pastoral Council Minutes

St. John the Evangelist Church Hall

June 16, 2021

Present: Mary Ann Borrelli, Kathy Callahan, Vern Connors, Karen Costello, Lola DeAscentiis, Alan Dickinson, Judy Dickinson, Carol Fuchs, Ken Klamm, Ann Kurz, Emily Kwiatkowski, Rob Layer, Mary Lochner, John David McManus, Cerys Montanarello, Anne Ross, Fr. Robert Schrader, Shanna Sellers, Gary Smith, Mary Ellen Steele, Raymond Warth, Catherine Witner

Excused: Fr. Tim Brown, Deacon Robert Corsaro. Jane Koch, Gail Layer and Sr. Marlene Vigna RSM

Scribe: Goldie Rogers

Meeting opened at 7 pm.

Opening Prayer: Judy

Introduction of New Members to Pastoral Council:

Kathy Callahan, Vern Connors, Ann Kurz, Shanna Sellers

(Nominees not selected/names to be retained for future use if needed. Mary Curran, Kay Kretschman, Bernadette Piccininni, Guy Kevin Reed and Bobbie Scherer.)

Introduction of New Youth Members to Pastoral Council:

Cerys Montanarello and John David McManus

Approval of May 2021 Minutes and June 2021 Agenda:

Minutes and Agenda approved as written.

Housekeeping Items:

Explanation of Welcome Weekend Representation by Pastoral Council for new members – Ken

Volunteers for Welcome Weekend for June 26-27, 2021

Saturday, June 26, 2021, St. James at 4:30 pm:

Sunday, June 27, 2021, St. James at 8:00 am: Cathy Witner

Sunday, June 27, 2021, St. John at 9:00 am: Mary Ann Borrelli

Sunday, June 27, 2021, St. Ambrose at 9:45 am: Mary Lochner

Sunday, June 27, 2021, St. John at 11:00 am:

Sunday, June 27, 2021, St. Ambrose at 5:00 pm: Anne Ross

Saturday, July 24, 2021, St. James at 4:30 pm:

Sunday, July 25, 2021, St. James at 8:00 am: Cathy Witner
Sunday, July 25, 2021, St. John at 9:00 am: Mary Ann Borrelli
Sunday, July 25, 2021, St. Ambrose at 9:45 am: Judy Dickinson
Sunday, July 25, 2021, St. John at 11 am: Vern Connors
Sunday, July 25, 2021, St. Ambrose at 5:00 pm:
Saturday, August 28, 2021, St. James at 4:30 pm: Judy Dickinson
Sunday, August 29, 2021, St. James at 8:00 am: Cathy Witner
Sunday, August 29, 2021, St. John at 9:00 am: Mary Ann Borrelli
Sunday, August 29, 2021, St. Ambrose at 9:45 am: Anne Ross
Sunday, August 29, 2021, St. John at 11:00 am:
Sunday, August 29, 2021, St. Ambrose at 5:00 pm:

Tuesday, September 14, 2021, Pastoral Council Meeting Sign-up

Opening Prayer:

Closing Prayer:

Refreshments: Anne Ross

2021/2022 Peace of Christ Parish Budget: Gary Smith

Gary passed out a copy of the budget and reviewed the information. We are facing a loss of over \$600,000 attributed to the pandemic and loss of revenue from the school property on the St. John the Evangelist site. Some of this can be recovered from investments but there is a limit set by the diocese on the amount of funds that can be taken from investments. At present, a committee is working on finding a tenant or buyer for this property. There is an anticipated major capital expenditure of over \$300,000 to update the lighting at the St. Ambrose site. Pastoral Council voted to accept the 2021/2022 budget.

Election of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson: Fr. Bob

Fr. Bob explained the duties of these two positions and balloting took place. Congratulations to Mary Ann Borrelli who will serve as Chairperson and Judy Dickinson who will serve as Vice Chairperson for the upcoming term 2021-22.

Youth Report: Lola and Raymond

The card ministry for homebound parishioners will continue. Cards for June through August have already been distributed to youth members. Outgoing youth reps and new youth reps will be meeting with the new Catechetical Coordinator, Emily Kwiatkowski, sometime in the next two weeks to go over youth activities and plans. A possible new ministry for youth – one-time fall

cleanup and raking service for homebound/elderly parishioners. Parishioners could contact the parish to express interest and youth will be matched up to provide this one-time service (about 1-2 hours per yard); youth can serve in teams.

Welcome to Emily Kwiatkowski who joins us this evening.

Finance Report: Fr. Bob

Fr. Bob reviewed the income statement as of May 31, 2021. Attendance and Collections continue to go in the right direction, even though it is happening slowly. The PPP loan and investments have helped our overall situation. The 200 Club has 159 members and the dinner is scheduled for September 17, 2021 at the Diplomat Party House. Pastoral Council 2020-2021

Summary: Ken and Karen

Ken and Karen reviewed the summary which had been distributed to council members. Despite the pandemic, council had a busy and productive year.

Update on Parish Ministries Activities: Mary Ann and Carol

Copies of the summaries from the parish ministries were distributed and reviewed. Our ministries are very active and always in need of more volunteers.

RocACTS Task Force Reports: Rob, Karen, Alan and Mary Ann

Religious Leaders Caucus – Rob reported that they are in the process of working on a new Vision Statement.

Education Task Force – Karen reported there is concern about the anti-racial curriculum being taught in schools, hiring practices and a need to improve graduation numbers. The group has met with over half of the county school superintendents to date.

Justice System Task Force – Alan was not able to attend the meeting last meeting and the minutes are not available yet. Here is the report from the May meeting. The RocACTS team met with Police Chief Harriott-Sullivan to share ideas and suggestions following a recent shooting. Six suggestions were shared: town hall with the community on the use of force; have patrol officers and community members attend de-escalation training together; organizing grandparents for non-violence; respect and recognition for all those shot and harmed; survey the community regarding treatment by police; officers equipped with business cards to be given to those with whom they interact. The highlights of the 85-page Police Accountability Board budget were reviewed. The City Council voted on and passed the budget by 5-4 which included funding the PAB. A new chairperson is needed for this task force.

Poverty and Jobs – Mary Ann reported that the group collected signatures which were sent to General Motors Corporation asking that jobs not be eliminated at their plant here in Rochester. The Task Force will continue to meet during the summer.

Goodbye to Karen Costello, Lola DeAscentiis, Alan Dickinson, Ken Klamm, Mary Ellen Steele, Raymond Warth and Fr. Robert Schrader.

Closing Prayer: Ken Klamm

Meeting closed at 9 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Goldie Rogers, Recording Secretary

Next meeting: Pastoral Council Retreat – Saturday, September 11, 2021, 11 am – 2 pm at St. John the Evangelist Church Hall