



Pastoral Council Minutes

December 19, 2017

Members in Attendance: Fr. Terry Keehan, Chad Archer, Pauline Carlson, Joe Ferlita, Ro Geisler, Luis Gutierrez, Bob Keller, Andrew Konopka, Bill Leece, Mike Myers, Anthony Piasecki, Bernie Schaeffer, Jack Shedd, Cattie Tenzillo, Rick Zanardo

Members Absent: Fr. Rich Jakubik, Karina Chavez, Barb Knuth, Alexandra Posey, Also present: Maureen DeRosa, Beth Tikvah Ritual Leadership Team

Chairman Chad Archer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

I. Mission and Faith First

- Chad shared a short reflection on Hanukah, Advent, and the wondrous deeds performed for our ancestors in those ancient days.

II. Pulse of the Parish

- Bill Leece shared his love of the new Gloria written by Gene Garcia
- Cattie Tenzillo commented that the Holy Family Academy's 1st - 5th grade Christmas play was wonderful and that the Kindergarten classes debuted their cute Christmas program
- Anthony Piasecki shared news that twelve teens traveled to Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis in November for the National Catholic Youth Conference. The 70,000 seat stadium was standing room-only, with each teen seeing 2 or 3 breakout speakers.
- Pauline shared news of an associate's teens interest in the Passion Play

III. Beth Tikvah Presentation

- Three members of Beth Tikvah's Ritual Leadership Team shared there appreciation of Holy Family for hosting their high holy days.
- Due to space limitations at their Temple, Beth Tikvah began celebrating at Holy Family in 2005. Holy Family has hosted these celebrations at no cost.
- In appreciation, Beth Tikvah's team presented Holy Family, accepted by Father Terry, a donation of \$1,800 (multiple of 18, significant for Chai ("life")).

IV. Approval of the October Council Minutes

- Mike Myers made a motion to approve the November minutes. Luis Gutierrez and Cattie Tenzillo seconded simultaneously. All were in favor.

V. Introductions

- Attending their first council meeting were Rick Zanardo, representing Family Faith, and Bob Keller, representing Liturgical Life. All council members introduced themselves.

VI. Parish Security Update

- Maureen DeRosa gave the council an update on recent changes to the Parish's Emergency Action Plan. In the wake of recent events, security has been tightened with additional security measures, including a police presence and security cameras, being implemented.
- A Parish Security Committee has been established and will meet regularly.
- The staff and various volunteer groups (catechists, EMs, PADS) will be going through training.

VII. Pastor's Report

- Father Terry shared a reflection of caroling with teens and "testifying to the light."
- The annual Beloved Retreat will be held January 19-21.
- Fr. Rich Jakubik has assumed leadership of the Pastoral Care ministries with assistance from Mimi Ferlita, Associate Director.
- Restructuring of Worship/Liturgy/Pastoral Care ministries continues.
- Dennis Brown, Gene Garcia, Sherry Deluca and Judy Petrie have stepped up to organize liturgies and are the most prepared for Christmas in Father Terry's 8 years at Holy Family.
- Holy Family Catholic Academy continues with their strategic planning.
- Illinois Invest in Kids tax credit applications process starts January 2nd.
- The Lenten Social Justice Project will focus on Cardinal Cupich's anti-violence initiative.

VIII. Election of Officers

- Per Council Bylaws, election of officers took place.
- Chad Archer was nominated by Joe Ferlita nominated and seconded by Jack Shedd for the role of Council Chair.
- Mike Myers and Andrew Konopka were nominated for Vice Chair. Vote was taken by secret ballot, with Mike Myers prevailing.

IX. Gala Update

- Bernie Schaeffer reported that the 16th Annual Holy Family Gala would be held at Concorde Banquets in Kildeer on February 24.
- The theme is Le Grand Bal de Versailles, alluding to the famous parties thrown by Marie Antoinette and King Louis the XVI.
- Dress for the evening will be cocktail attire - powdered wigs are not required.
- 1/2 of the tickets have already been sold.

X. Other News

- Deanery Report - Chad Archer expounded on the Illinois Invest in Kids Act and tax credit application, donation, and scholarship request process.
- An evangelizing to Millennials sub-committee was formed. Luis Gutierrez will lead this, with interest expressed by Chad Archer, Mike Myers and Cattie Tenzillo.
- Knights of Columbus - Joe Ferlita shared date for the 7th Annual Men's Day of Renewal (February 3rd). Pastapalooza was tentatively scheduled for February 10th, but may change.

XI. Closing Prayer

- Mike Myers shared a closing prayer.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm.

The next meeting date is Tuesday, January 16, 2017 at 7pm.

Respectfully submitted, Chad Archer