

Pastoral Council Minutes February 20th, 2018

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

I. Mission and Faith First

- Cattie shared a prayer

II. Mission Effectiveness and Pulse of the Parish

- DACA speaker was well-liked and moving.
- Kairos was this weekend - retreatants who don't attend Holy Family voiced they felt welcomed.
- Changing "we are all in this together" at a different time since some aren't ready. Maybe reach out to someone you do not know. Father Terry shared a story about this.

III. Approval of the Council Minutes

- Bill made changes bow your head and good to God.
- Luis motioned to approve January Minutes. Andy second
- Minutes approved

IV. Human Concerns and Lenten Project

- Sue was present to discuss Lenten Projects that we will be doing
- "Peaceful Pathways" (Lenten Project)- comes from Cardinal Cupich's Anti-Violence initiative. Two programs we will be supporting is The Peace Corner Youth Center and Strong Futures.
- Weekly speakers are scheduled each week during Lent.
- We are asking for pray, fasting, and almsgiving or charity during Lent.
- What can we do questions? There will be more concrete things in the Easter season. Lent is used as a learning process to learn about the two programs and help financially.
- Hope to continue the Lenten project well after Easter.
- Holy Family is paving the way for other churches to support this in their parish.
- Assist-A-Family help about 600 people
- Habitat for Humanity- New build in Des Plaines
PADS- active ministry. We have been up or over capacity 7 times. We can only hold 50 people due to fire ordinance. If you would like to volunteer you have to be 18 and over and go through a training.
- One in Love Ministry- making a difference in families who have LGBT stories
- Father Terry and Father Rich are welcoming 20 newly registered parishioners. They have joined over 3 months time.
- Thank you to hospitality over the Lenten Mission. People really enjoy it.

- Chad asked about Cuba- two smaller chapels are done and the cathedral is ahead of schedule. We are waiting on St. Miguel. It would be good to give another update to parish. More info is on the website.

V. Pastor's Report

- Father Terry shared a story about going to Harper Community College on Ash Wednesday to give out ashes. A good place to make a connection with millennials.
- Lenten theme and Phil Andrew was very well received.
- Cardinal Cupich will visit Holy Family on Sunday, March 11 at 9 am to show his gratitude and support for the Lenten project.
- Principles of Catholic Social Teaching- CLR W/ a SCoPe
- Gala is this Saturday and in full gear
- Academy is doing strategic planning and the Parish will align with them- Academic and School life, Financial Vitality, Governance, Catholic Identity, Communications. The Parish strategic planning will take place in July and August.
- Emergency Operations Plan and Team have been working to upgrade the Emergency Operations Plan and teach others.
- SCC Follow-up- 45 new people signed up.
- One in Love meeting for Sue and Father Terry with Cardinal Cupich this Friday
- Kairos- a wonderful retreat to share in with teens. Shows the depth of the Confirmation program
- Mission with Jim Clark had beautiful things to share with ritual, storytelling and more.
- Maintenance challenges with people leaving and two new part-time hires and still need one more.

VI. Gala Update

- 453 people attending this year, sponsorship are up this year, well-rounded auction items
- Upgraded wine that is available for sale that can be brought back to the table and one package will be auctioned right away
- An email and/or text will be sent that gives you the info for silent auction- the system was upgraded to do this
- The bidding process has been changed a little this year
- Student Artwork will be able to be bid on it starting Wednesday, February 21 at 8 am and ending Friday, February 23 8 pm.

VI. Other Needs

- Ro brought up the article "Dear Regular Mass-goers: the seats at the end of the pew aren't for you," and asked for feedback if it should be brought up to the parish.
- Ushers are needed

Bernie gave a prayer on Social Justice.
The meeting was adjourned at 8:50.

Respectfully submitted, Cattie Tenzillo