

Parish Pastoral Council meeting minutes – Oct 4, 2016

Present – Fiona Archer, Virginia Chadwick, Jason Dale, Mary DeRay, Laurie Hall, Franz Hoffer, Jerry Campernel, Christie Petras, Fr. Mike Quaine, James Reid, Phyllis Rizzi, Susie Waddell, Dave Kulasa, Carrie Kulasa, Bob Murphy, BJ Stepien

Absent – Fr. Tim Galos, Ann Marie Gherardini, Kiley Robinson, Courtney Warunek

Call to Order – 7:03pm

Minutes approved from September 2016 meeting.

Pastoral Reports (in addition to those emailed separately)

- Fr. Mike (report given later in meeting, but I'm putting it here to fit the agenda) – October 4th official saw the end of the building project with the completion of the sodding. Escrow from City of Sterling Heights will be coming back this week. Will be attending Gatekeeper training (suicide prevention.) The problem is changing and effecting more young people. Anyone interested in attending with him is welcome.
- Deacon Franz is busy working on Worship Commission, Pet blessing went well, planning for November 7th Confirmations.

Old Business

- Coffee and Donuts went well but could use a bit more help. October 16th is the next day. There was light attendance after the 8:00am mass – maybe we'll try one more and then decide if we focus only on the 9:45am and 11:30am masses. Upcoming dates added: January 15th, February 12th (coffee cake instead of donuts,) March 19th, and May 7th. No coffee and donuts for April, June, July, August (all 2017.)
- November meeting was cancelled due to All Saints Day. Next meeting will be December 6th. Fiona will do the Enrichment activity.
- Virginia is working on new photo of the front of the church for the Messenger .

Commission Reports (in addition to those mailed separately)

- Vicariate: Phyllis has a copy of the Vicariate financial report for anyone who would like to see it. Jason will scan it and email it to everyone. Many members feel the Vicariate assessments for parishes are too complicated. Fr. Mike noted that the formula is supposed to be simplified in the future. Vicariate assessment is based on number of parishioners; CSA assessment is based on weekly collections but now included other fundraisers.

- Worship: Memorial Mass will be Wednesday, November 2nd at 7:00pm. Reception by Christian Service afterward.
- Christian Service: 88 flu shots were given.
- Education: FLT is going well. Religious trading cards will be seen soon, kids can get at class or at mass. Question from Christie regarding FLT for students with special needs. Lori said we can, possibly 1 on 1 or 1 on 2. Parents can also home-school for FLT. Virginia noted she has taught special needs FLT students in the past. Question from Mary regarding expanding Children's Liturgy of the Word. Claudia will look at that next summer, more help will be needed.

New Business

- Jim began discussion regarding Parish Council's role in fundraising. Discussion held regarding need for protocol and procedure. Deacon Franz said that Stewardship Commission should handle those requests. Bob Murphy noted that there is a procedure. Jim posed question of how do we include more people in the parish and asked Parish Council to think about this – there are 2 issues: long term finances for the church and overlaps in requests

Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm