

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes 9/10/15

Opening Prayer - Acts 2:14-27 - Donna Newcomb

"All on the Same Team" - Maria Thorsen

- see packet for details
 - main points - no 'I' in team
 - emotional and psychological health to be part of a team
 - suggested book: *The Advantage* by Patrick Lencioni
 - two requirements for success: 'smart' and 'healthy'
- see Christian Formation on diocesan website - conferences are amazing - fees may be provided by formation budget

Welcome for New Members

- Bobby Gamble, Gigi Curtin, Cindy Ortiz, Ike Wood

Goals Review

- Formation: "acknowledge the liturgy as a central focus as our Catholic faith"
 - talked about VCU, moving students forward
 - improving sound system, which has greatly improved
 - complements to Caroline for training lectors
 - hoping for children's choir
 - thumbs up for Night Fever
 - more social justice conversations for adults needed
- Support Ministries
 - Improving Funeral Reception Ministry, Prayer Shawl Ministry, etc
 - still concerned about communication and determining need
- Improve Communication and Collaboration
 - collecting ministry through Flocknotes
 - also allows for email blasts
 - Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, SoundCloud, Flickr
 - Communicating with our shut-ins - can we stream mass?
 - Recently started recording homilies and posting with PDF
- Assure all are welcome
 - met several times to discuss bike race
 - receptionist position - considering part time during the week, w/another paid position for weekend masses (hourly wages)

Ministry Updates

Social Justice

- Just finished CARITAS; overnight in January
- Empty Bowl, Oct. 27; seating 5:30 and 6:30
 - fundraiser for Daily Planet
 - tickets 20 dollars

- volunteers needed for soup
- Will Beebe and others bring dinners to Our Daily Bread for medical respite
- active push for March for Life - Knights of Columbus sponsor bus
- partnering with pregnancy resource centers
- beginning annual evaluation

Formation

- planning more Faith Formation programs this past summer
- several informational cards have been created - look at the back of the church!
- new: Adult Advisory Team - 7 adults; met several times so far
- adult speaker series starting Sunday, Nov. 8 - Fr. Michael Crosby - "The Beatitudes and Discipleship"
 - 12:30-2:30
- Saturday, Sept. 12 - Camboni Sisters sponsored - Morning Prayer and Reflection
- October 18 - Michael Hines YouTube video and discussion
- "Reflections" facilitated by Mike Jackman - this year, mysticism of the Catholic Church - Sunday between 9 and 11AM masses in parish offices
- Bill Fox - group of prayer and spirituality - deep reflections of gospel
- Faith and Family Sessions - based on themes addressed at The World Meeting of Families in PA
- Women's Book Club - Sister Joan Chinister book
- VBS - Jean Walker, first year as director; has agreed to return!
- RCIA - 21 members
- Prayer and Service - 3 meetings to make blankets for Veterans at McGuire Veterans Hospital; great response! people from other parishes
- Youth group now after 11AM mass

Facility & Music

- Bathrooms back together! Partitions missing
- Museum renovations behind schedule
- Painting outside of parish offices, CCM
- Foundation paying bills for restroom reno, museum reno, and painting
- Daniel Sanz due Sept. 22; formal introduction first weekend of October

Bike Week

Open everyday 6am to Midnight

Liturgy of the Hours, Rosary, Daily Mass

Need volunteers to be welcoming presence in the sanctuary

parking tags issued for those volunteering during bike week and masses!

Check Navigation Portal

Variety of grants towards evangelization

Donate proceeds from bike week efforts to homeless organizations: CCC, Daily Planet
(food trucks, art, gift shop, signed photographs)

Other

Knights of Columbus

Helping out during bike week

Always ushers

Yard Sales

Annual appreciation event - special Mass near Columbus Day + BBQ social

Oct. 10 - Will pastoral council help host BBQ?

