

St. Paul's Parish Pastoral Council

Monday Nov. 15, 2021 7 pm (Hybrid Meeting)

Minutes prepared by Sue Muto

Present:

Fr. Paul Deacon Mark

Linda D'Antonio (late arrival) Robin Martz

Marianne & Joe Ferrara Sue Muto

George Hanley Scott Rutan

Sharyn Lipari Tim Runyan

Not Present:

Bonnie Korherr (injured)

Diana Strassman

- 1. Opening Prayer
- 2. The meeting was called to order by Scott Rutan. The Minutes of the previous meeting and the agenda for the meeting were approved.
- 3. Sue Ward is reaching out to several youth candidates for the Youth Representative spot on Parish Council. We are waiting for Sue to contact us once this is completed. Jodie will make the official contact once a name is received.
- 4. David McCoy is the Chancellor and Membership Chair for the Knight of Columbus Trinity Council in Webster. Father Paul is the Council Chaplin. The council supports Webster, Rochester, and Penfield and includes the parishes of St. Rita, Holy Trinity, and St. Paul's. Bob and Dave (names?) spoke to Council to share with us the types of projects that KoC has been involved with, including helping to implement the Hearing Loop at St. Paul's, as well as Setup and Teardown for our 2019 Parish Picnic. The Webster council is looking to increase recruitment. Any wish lists for St. Paul's should be sent to Tim Runyan.
- 5. Liaison Reports:

Library:

- The Parish Read books will be distributed to celebrate Epiphany weekend of Jan 8-9. The committee is working on distribution and bookmark plans.
- Book club will be meeting on Dec 6.

Adult Faith Formation:

- Coffee and Catholicism will be meeting on Tuesday mornings, except last week of the month which will meet at 6:30 pm to include working parishioners.
- Advent Reflection will be for adults only as Helen surveyed SOR and there was not interest for a children's version.
- Katie is making 2-3 Home Visits per week.
- Together in Grief has about 10 participants. Katie is reaching out to Diocese for additional support.
- SOR: no current update
- Prayer Shawl:
 - There are a lot of Prayer Shawls for distribution
 - Ministry is working on Baptismal blankets and hats/scarves/gloves to be place under the Giving Tree.
- Liturgical Ministry:
 - o More Ushers are needed, especially for the 4 pm Mass.
 - o Greeters are sufficient, but could use backup coverage.
 - o Lectors are fine, but a little light at 4 pm.
 - Eucharistic Ministers not needed yet
 - Altar Servers awaiting approval to restart
 - Stream Team has 7 members covering 4 pm, 9 am, and 11 am plus miscellaneous services.
- Marthas no update
- Good Sam no update
- KoC:
 - Bob and Dave made presentation to Council
- Finance Committee:
 - There was no meeting Nov 8. Joan Sullivan, Multi Parish Finance Director, was not available.
 - Topics addressed include Monthly Statement Report, Fundraising issues, Maintenance issues, and CMA.
 - Tom Napoli requested the Joan develop a Highlight report versus a line-by-line review.
- 6. Robin presented the Mass attendance trends.
 - Since June 2021 the attendance is steadily climbing. November 2021 is double that of November 2020. The average attendance is 100 people per Mass per week.

- The Christmas anticipated attendance is Unknown. Plans are to set up chairs in the Hall Rooms 7 & 8. Streaming will be available also.
- 7. Scott led a discussion of Hospitality and the challenge of Hospitality and connecting/reconnecting with people of St. Paul's.
 - Hospitality before the door is challenging in these times
 - Hospitality at the door is done well by Mass Greeters and the Parish Office.
 - Hospitality within the door...How do we raise the desire to participate
 - Hospitality beyond the door is a support mission.
 - As part of this topic, we discussed Parishioner requests to know who is sick or has died. The topic is somewhat tricky as Privacy Requests must be honored. Katie sends cards to the Home Bound. Jodie has been sending cards in the name of the Marthas, but perhaps this is the proper time for Marthas to assume this responsibility again to provide greater connection amongst parishioners and encourage participation.
 - We could expand our Ministry outreach with Marthas sending cards and Prayer Shawl providing shawls. Jodie will contact D.A. re: Marthas
 - Brainstorming discussion re: What are good models of Reconnecting and Promoting our Catholic faith:
 - Hold Ministry Fair again
 - Small Christian Community study
 - o Host Trunk or Treat in October 2022 in St. Paul's parking lot
 - Marquee sign to post weekly faith messages
- 8. Synod 2022 is focusing on Eucharistic revival. Father Paul will be speaking with Deacon Mark about future session(s) at St. Paul's.
- 9. Closing Prayer
- 10. All were excited about our first Hybrid meeting. Zoom participant said it was a little difficult to hear those in the room.