

St. Anne/St. Catherine Collaborative PPC Minutes

November 21, 2016

Attendees

Pastor: Fr. Peter Quinn

Parochial Vicar: Fr. Joe Rossi

Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) Members: Wes Baker, Lisa Dougherty, Valerie Farley, Mihran Keoseian, Oscar Monarrez, Judy Moodie, and Jackie Welham.

Ex Officio Members: Jackie Butterfield, Kelly Clark, Lee DeLuca, Sue Gormley, Peg Hicks, Jaye Russo, and Denise Van Veen

PPC Member Regrets

Rita Biagioni, Diane Crory, Joe McGann, and Francine McGrath

Location

The November meeting was held at the St. Anne rectory.

Meeting Notes

Dinner and fellowship began at 6:00 PM. The meeting commenced at 7:00 PM with an opening prayer provided by Fr. Peter, by St. John of Kanty that stated: "Fight all error, but do it with good humor, patience, kindness, and love. Harshness will damage your own soul and spoil the best cause."

Father Peter asked us to give our thoughts of what it meant to all of us.

Meeting followed by a reading of the St. Anne and St. Catherine mission statements. Co-chair Oscar Monarrez facilitated the discussion.

Introductions

Mihran Keoseian is new to the PPC so we opened by having everyone give a quick introduction as to who they were for Mihran's benefit.

Open Meeting Agenda Items

A discussion on the status of the St. Catherine's Columbarium was scheduled to be discussed by Dave LeBleu & Peg Donahue, however they were unable to attend this month's meeting so it was put on hold with the intent to discuss it at the December PPC Meeting.

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Executive Session Agenda Items

The “Here & Now” session that usually leads off the PPC Meeting was skipped for this meeting.

Old Business

1. Pastoral Plan Update (Discussion of October’s Meeting with various Ministry’s to discuss the priority’s, the goals and the tasks)
 - Pastoral Plan Implementation: Ownership Structure, Assignments & Staffing (Fr. Peter/Oscar) Oscar showed a document received from Joan Mattila that documented these goals.
 - Ministry of Music: Kelly indicated that they are now speaking at all the masses to spread the word of the ministry as to why they joined and that it is open to all who wish to join especially for the upcoming Christmas/Advent timeframe. In addition, they have started a Cantor Workshop for those thinking of becoming a cantor.
 - St. Anne’s RelEd 7-Confirmation: Jaye discussed this with her group as well. Has feedback but wants a copy of the feedback format used by Joan to help her with the organization of this feedback.
 - St. Catherine’s Ministry of Hospitality: Sue discussed her meeting last Saturday with this group (about 20 people) to go over the intent of the plan but not how to implement it. To do this at a later date.

2. Communicating with Parishioners (All)

Mihran asked if there are process checks in place to address feedback and suggestions that are being implemented. Oscar responded that some tasks are very specific in the plan but others are very general and the intent is to identify who will be involved with these goals and have them determine the process checks and how success will be measured. This is expected to be better resolved once people get assigned as role leaders for each of the ministries looking to be included as part of the plan. So far only one person assigned so far and that is Debbie Rhodes for Director of Ministry. Judy talked about CCD ministry and the progress they were making as well as questions/roadblocks they were running into. Oscar reiterated that the PPC is the eyes, ears and mouth of the priest for the congregation so they are fully aware of the potential direction of the Collaborative.

3. 2020/2021 Future View of the Church (Joe/All) – *Postponed for future meeting*

Father Joe suggested bringing up the idea of “the future” when there is only one priest for the Collaboration and the feedback from the congregation on this idea. Oscar indicated that most people have not begun to digest this idea, but that it is definitely needed to prepare them for the time when this becomes a reality and that our Pastoral Plan accounts for this. Jaye indicated that we not only need to plan for the future without

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priest, but also for the members and volunteers of the Church that will likely be gone within the next 5 to 15 years. Father Quinn reiterated the financial impact of the reduction of masses due to the reduction of priests available to give masses. Father Peter discussed the possibility of potentially having priesthood be open to married male priests although Pope Francis recently indicated that they do not foresee women being potential priests in the future.

4. Proposed St. Anne Fundraising Event – FY 2017 (Fr. Peter)

It is proposed that approval be given to plan and implement a large social fundraising event for FY 2017. Intended to raise funds to supplement and enhance the Saint Anne Parish youth activities. Father Peter indicated that Joan and others in the Religious Education are proposing a large social event to help raise funds for all of the different youth activities of St. Anne's. This would not include other ministries such as Religious Education, Mission Trips, etc. that are funded separately. The request is for the PPC to review the proposal and consider recommending giving them the go ahead to plan and propose this idea as opposed to actually accepting the idea at this time.

New Business

1. Stewardship Council Meeting – Jan 28th (Oscar)

Oscar discussed the Stewardship Meeting (“WelcomeFest”) that Debbie Rhodes is heading up that is scheduled for January 28, 2017. If you can't attend, please feel free to help in some way by reaching out to her to see what it is that you can do to help her out.

Final Comments: Fr. Peter and Fr. Joe

Father Peter gave out a hand-out that discusses how to deal with the result of elections especially when you disagree with the outcome and labeled it as ways to think about times of disagreement and concern, whether it happens to do with politics or other hot topic issues.

“The Perfect Pastor” is a book Father Peter recommended that we read to give us an insight to the thinking of pastors as to how they are “shepherds” as opposed to “leaders” and thus rely on the PPC and others to help give church direction in areas other than spiritually.

Father Joe led the group in a closing prayer.

The next meeting will be held at St. Catherine's Rectory on Tuesday, December 13, 2016.