

St Patrick Parish Pastoral Council

July 20, 2016

5:30 pm

Members Present: Margaret King, Janet Kenney, Mary Baker, Jan Coburn, Joe Gomes, Dominic McCamish, Fr. Frank, Robin Waters, John Karaus

Also Attending: Edgar Lopez

Members Absent: Jack McCoy

I. Opening Prayer

II. May Meeting Minutes Review

- A. Motion made to approve minutes by Joe Gomes, second by Dominic McCamish. All in favor. No meeting was held in June due to scheduling issues.

III. Committee Reports

- A. Finance – Joe Gomes provided a finance report. For the 2015-16 fiscal year, the church income was actual \$168,076 compared to a budget of \$150,473. The expenses were actual \$170,351 compared to a budget of \$116,683. The group discussed the details making up the report. Our building maintenance expenses were approximately \$50,000. Improvements and repairs included the church ceiling, floors and HVAC mini splits. Joe reported that the Finance committee is working on the new budget currently. The finance report was approved as presented.
- B. Liturgy – Janet Kenney reported that we have completed First Communion, Confirmation, and graduate acknowledgments in the last few months. Everyone agreed that all of the events went smoothly. John Karaus suggested that we post any available photos from these events on our website and Facebook page.
- C. Faith Formation – Dominic McCamish reported on the youth retreat and mission trip. He said that both events were very successful. In planning for next year, they will try to have the outings further apart to allow for more participation. Next, Dominic distributed the summarized results from the parish parent survey. The council discussed the survey in detail. Mary Baker thanked Dominic for his work in compiling the survey results.

Fr. Frank spoke about a camping program aimed at youth catechesis. The participants can earn merit badges for skills, much the same as in a scouting program. Fr. Frank will share more information with the group when he gathers additional details. Edgar Lopez spoke

about his great experience as part of FOCUS, Fellowship of Catholic University Students, at the University of Kentucky.

Other suggestions, based on the survey feedback, included some possible youth day trips. Ideas included trips to religious sites in the area and pairing that with an amusement park or other recreational spot. The council agreed that our short term goal would be to plan one to two trips prior to the end of the year. Fr. Frank and Edgar agreed to start the discussion. A subcommittee was formed that will consist of:

Fr. Frank, Edgar Lopez, John Karaus, Robin Waters, Dominic McCamish, Mary Baker

The group plans to meet on July 27 at 5:30 p.m.

- D. Social Concerns – No report was available.
- E. Maintenance – The group discussed some minor repairs needed.

IV. Old Business

A. Strategic Plan

1. Survey Results – Results were discussed with Social Concerns.
2. Faith Formation/Youth Group/Family Catechesis – Results were discussed with Social Concerns.

V. New Business

- A. Technology Initiative in classroom – John Karaus noted that the CCD teachers had requested more available technology in the classroom. He told the group that he would take on the task of providing three additional televisions for the remaining CCD rooms.
- B. Men's fellowship retreat – Camp Out – John Karaus will discuss plans for a possible Men's Retreat this fall with Fr. Frank.
- C. Recruitment of new Council members (next President) – Council elections are coming up in a few months and several current members are rotating off. Fr. Frank asked all current members to ask someone to consider serving. An announcement about nominations will also be made at upcoming masses.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, August 17, at 5:30 p.m.

VI. With no additional items of business, meeting was adjourned with a prayer.