

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES

June 30, 2016

Attendance: Mike Balla, Tom Devlin, Maureen Gipprich, Mark Hahn, Heather Keperling, Mary Murphy, Tony Rearden, Edrie Watson, Karen Zuczek, Fr. Brian Miller, Deacon John Stapleton

The meeting began with a prayer.

New Member Introduction

Karen Zuczek and Tom Devlin were introduced and welcomed to the Council. They will serve a three year term.

Parish Retreat

A tentative schedule and other details were discussed for our October 1, 2016 Parish Retreat. Reservations will be accepted on a first come, first served basis. Mike Balla and Mary Murphy will brainstorm open issues and meet with the sisters of the McGlenn Center prior to the next Council meeting to resolve them.

Parish Mission 2018

Fr. Miller has scheduled Fr. Vincent Fortunato, O.F.M. Cap. to conduct our Parish Mission from February 25-28, 2018. Fr. Fortunato will be speaking at all Sunday Masses on February 25, 2018. Mike Balla is going to contact Fr. Fortunato to see what are his needs and expectations prior to the Mission so everything runs smoothly. Mike Balla will review the checklist used for Fr. Larry's Mission as a template for organizing this mission.

Ministers of Hospitality

The Council brainstormed ideas of how to get more interest in this ministry. This will be discussed further in August. We also talked about keeping the doors closed between the Church and vestibule areas. Council members were requested to observe if the doors are closed as we attend Masses and discuss whether a push should be made to keep them closed at our next meeting. The importance of a strong social media program as a means of communication was mentioned as a possible agenda item for the August meeting.

Chaplet Of Divine Mercy

Mike Balla, Judy McMahon and Karen Zuczek have volunteered to lead the Chaplet of Divine Mercy which is recited at the end of Adoration each Monday evening at 8:45 p.m. It was suggested that this recitation continue throughout the year. Anyone wishing to volunteer to lead the Chaplet should contact Mike Balla at ballas6@ptd.net. Fr. Miller will talk to Msgr. Domin about praying the Chaplet before Masses.

Recognitions

The Council discussed recognizing Karin Donato and Sharon D'Andrea who were responsible for coordinating all the aspects that made the Parish Photo Directory a success. We also want to thank Gabe Shchuka who enhanced our Grotto as his Eagle Scout Project.

Other Business

Karen Zuczek suggested that we acknowledge our priests on October 30, 2016 which is Priesthood Sunday. Fr. Miller would like to make confession available the entire day during our Monday Adoration.

The meeting ended with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary C. Murphy
Secretary

Next meeting: August 25, 2016 in the Parish Center at 7 p.m. Phil has the opening prayer.