Parish Pastoral Council Minutes April 12, 2018

In attendance: Phil Blankenstein, Maureen Gipprich, Tom McNelis, Mary Murphy, Deacon Greg Schneider, Deacon John Stapleton, Jay Yohn, Mary Ann Zerkowski, Msgr. Ed Domin

The meeting opened with a prayer.

Parish Mission 2018 Wrap-Up

Jay Yohn reported that many positive comments were received from parishioners concerning the Mission. Parishioners felt that Fr. Fortunato was very approachable and they enjoyed his meaningful presentations. Msgr. Domin would like to have another Mission during Lent of 2021. He gave the Council a list of possible retreat directors given to him by Fr. Fortunato. The Council will research these spiritual directors.

Volunteer Hospitality Sunday

On April 15, 2018, all volunteers within the parish were recognized at each of the weekend Masses. A "Blessing" was given at each Mass. Coffee and donuts were served after the 9:00 and 10:30 Masses. During Volunteer Hospitality Sunday, all parishioners were encouraged to sign-up for the various ministries. The sign-up sheets will remain in the gathering during the month of April.

Council Membership

Phil Blankenstein reported that he is going to place information explaining "What is a Parish Council", the nomination process and forms for Council membership in the gathering areas for a period of five weeks beginning in April. The last day for nomination submissions for membership on the Council will be June 1, 2018. New Council members will begin their 3 year term in September. This information was also available at the Volunteer Hospitality Sunday.

Other Business

It was brought to the attention of the Council that the pulpit announcements are becoming too lengthy. Tom McNelis suggested that the announcements be limited to the date, time, and place of the event since the bulletin has the additional details.

The idea of having former RCIA classes host a reception in Smith Hall for those received into the church after the Easter Vigil was discussed.

The meeting ended with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Mary C. Murphy Secretary

Next meeting: May 31, 2018 in the Parish Center at 7 p.m. Mary Ann has the opening prayer.