

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

December 7, 2017

1. Prayer and Attendance

Rob called to order the regular meeting of the Pastoral Council at 7:15pm on December 7, 2017 at Royal Oak Pub.

The following persons were present: Fr. Jim Fiori, Fr. Tim Coonen, Jane Staples, Heather Duggan, Rob Criger, Sheila Foy-Connolly, Bob Gorman, Scott Ruffolo, Margaret Moriarty and Anthony Carty.

Absent: Dorothy Wood

2. Approval of agenda:

Anthony moved and Sheila seconded the approval of the agenda. Agreed by all.

3. Minutes: The minutes of Nov. 2, 2017 were accepted electronically and sent to the Finance Committee.

4. Business Arising

4.1 Commissioning – New members will be commissioned on Jan. 20/21. Terms of Engagement will be signed by all PPC members at the February 1st meeting.

Action Item: Heather will email Terms of Engagement to all PPC members.

4.2 Retreat Feedback

Cathy Clifford was very good. Rooms were too cold. It was good to have both Finance and PPC together. It was suggested that we learn to “take the microphone” away from people so that they do not talk for too long.

4.3 AGM

The meeting was too long. Next year we should consider a PowerPoint presentation with key points (1/2 hour for presentation and 1/2 hour for Q&A) and distributing the ministry reports to the parish at least 2 weeks prior to the AGM.

4.4 Farewell to Fr. Jim

Hospitality with both savory and sweet is planned for Dec. 17th after Mass. PPC will help with food and clean-up. We will serve champagne and non-alcoholic bubbly. It was suggested that the bubbly be handed out as people leave the church to encourage people to stay.

5 New Business

5.1 Week of Prayer Jan. 18-25

Invite/participate with churches in the area including Mount Calvary. A joint ecumenical service will be planned but not necessarily during the Week of Prayer.

5.2 Parish welcome to Fr. Tim:

This may hinge on Tim's installation.

Action Item: Jane will call the Diocese to find out the date of the installation

5.3 Poor and Needy Account: This discussion was postponed to early 2018.

6 For Information:

6.1 Christmas and New Year: the 4th Sunday of Advent is on Dec. 24th so there will be 2 Masses, 10am and 5pm for Christmas Eve. Christmas Day Mass will be at 10am. We will consider having joint services with St. Joe's Parish in the future.

6.2 Domicile Condos will be occupied in January 2018. We should start advertising with a mail drop around Easter time. All churches in area could get together and produce a flyer with information from each church.

Action Item: Prepare flyer for advertising.

6.3 Find a representative to join Messy Church activities at Ascension Church, attend the Old Ottawa East Community Association meetings, and meetings at the Centretown Churches.

7 Communications: Time of Installation and Commissioning in bulletin.

8 Next meeting: Feb. 1, 2018 at 7:15pm.

9 Meeting was adjourned at 9:00pm