

PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES – November 7, 2017

Members Present: Deb Cuddy, Matthew Mittelstaedt, Mindi O'Rourke, Ryan Siegel, Lexe Volk, Anne Wend, Mary White, Deacon Jeff Beals, Fr. Hyland

Opening Faith Reflection offered by Matthew Mittelstaedt

Fr. Hyland's Report:

- There have been some issues with getting servers to cover all Masses. Fr. Hyland is looking at scheduling servers only for weekend Masses.
- Fr. reported that it has been a year since the ushers have been doing a Mass count. Attendance in October 2017 was slightly better than October 2016, but overall, no significant change in attendance has been noted.

Deacon Jeff's Report:

- Safe Environment Training
 - * Training has been provided to grades K-6 and was completed by SACIS.
 - * Grades 7-12 completed Protection God's Children, provide by Angie Buescher.
- St. Charles Feast Day was well attended.
- Remembrance Day Mass attendance was low, but it was not on All Soul's Day this year.
- Work is beginning on the Giving Tree.
- There has been a time change for Religious Ed for grades K-3 to 9:45 am – 10:45 am. Deacon Jeff is also making a sign to ensure parents know when there is no class.

Youth Report:

(No youth representatives present. Report was provided to Mary by Angie Buescher.)

- 30 HS youth have been attending Sunday evening Religious Education. Fr. Hyland taught the Nov. 5 class.
- Fifteen youth are registered for Catholic Heart Work Camp.
- The next Youth Mass is Nov. 12.
- 8 attended the National Catholic Youth Conference.
- Youth have been babysitting during KC Auxiliary monthly meetings and during the Financial Peace University meetings.
- They provided face painting and help with food at Octoberfest.

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Youth Report Continued:

- Youth will be assisting vendors at the St. Charles Holiday Bazaar.
- Youth will set up Christmas trees at Camp New Hope on Nov. 19.
- Fun activities have included a cookout and haunted house for middle school and pizza party and game night. High school attended a haunted house.

Old Business:

- Parish Feast Day
 - * Was well attended.
 - * Received compliments on the good meat sauce.
 - * Ideas for next year: Put a reminder in the Newman bulletin and make a sign that spumoni contains pistachios.
- Holiday Bazaar
 - * Scheduled for Nov. 11. Come out and support.
- Diocesan Synod
 - * Matthew reviewed the final version.
 - * Vote will be later this month with the closing Mass on Nov. 26.
 - * Implementation plans will be developed.
- Advent Mission
 - * Fr. Hyland discussed plans for the Advent mission. Fr. Chuck Edwards will lead the mission on the evenings of Dec. 10 and 11. A reception will follow each evening.
 - * Refreshments will be provided by the KCs with assistance from the Religious Education Committee on Dec. 10 and by the Pastoral Council on Dec. 11.

New Business:

- Pastoral Council Memberships
 - * The terms of Mary, Lexe, and Ryan are all up in January.
 - * Will need 2 to 3 new members.
 - * Will discuss further at the next meeting.
- Ministry Fair
 - * Will be held in January 2018.
 - * Plans to be discussed at next meeting.

Closing Prayer offered by Fr. Hyland

Faith Reflection Assignment – Mindi O'Rourke

Next meeting: December 6 @ 5:30 pm at Mary White's home.