

PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES – Dec. 6, 2017

Meeting was held at Mary White's home for the annual Christmas celebration and meeting.

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

Opening Faith Reflection offered by Mindi O'Rourke

Fr. Hyland's Report:

- The 2nd graders celebrated their 1st Reconciliation in preparation for 1st Communion.
- Fr. Hyland will be out of town for a conference January 7–10. A guest priest from Cross Catholic Outreach will be here for the weekend Masses.
- The Synod is closed and all of the proposals passed. We will begin the implementation with guidance from the Diocese.

Deacon Jeff's Report:

- Deacon Jeff attended the quarterly C.O.R.E. (Community of Religious Educator's) meeting in Springfield.
- The upcoming change with regard to the Synod were discussed.
- Religious Ed. is well attended.
- The Education Ministry Teacher Appreciation will be February 4 at the Brickhouse.
- The children's Lenten materials have been ordered.
- ACRE tests begin next month for 5th, 8th and 11th graders.
- Kathy Hussey has agreed to join the Pastoral Council as a representative of the Education Committee.
- RCIA has 7 inquirers. 4 sponsors are still needed.
- Weekday servers have been eliminated because there were too few interested and the same children were serving frequently.
- The giving tree ornaments are due this weekend. Judi Vaughn will deliver.
- AED-CPR training will be offered in January.
- The Ministry Fair date will be announced. The council will review the ministries and the presentation of the materials.

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Deacon Jeff's Report Continued:

- Deacon Jeff and Barb will host a small group ministry for Lent, "Choice Wine" for married couples.
- There are 3 small group study sessions planned as well for Lent.
- The church will have a crisis response training, THREAT on February 10th to help recognize issues that may be encountered.

Matt's Report:

- Direction on the implementation for the Synod is forthcoming. On December 12, a speaker from Wichita will be in Springfield for a presentation.

Old Business:

- Details for the upcoming Advent Mission were confirmed.

New Business:

- The Infant of Prague renovation/improvement project was discussed. Matt, Mary, and Lexe will assist with this.
- Mary, Lexe, and Ryan will all roll off the Council this month. Fr. Hyland will contact some people that may be willing to serve on the committee for a three-year term. Deb Cuddy will be president and Jo Coon will be secretary.

Closing Prayer was offered. The right/left Gift Pass to the Story of the Holy Family as read by Jeff Coon was held.

Faith Reflection Assignment: Jo Coon

Next meeting: January 3 @ 7:00 pm in the LL