

PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES – October 4, 2017

Members Present: Jo Coon, Deb Cuddy, Matthew Mittelstaedt, Ryan Siegel, Lexe Volk, Anne Wend, Mary White, Fr. Hyland and youth representative Mikayla Kuznicki

Opening Faith Reflection offered by Lexe Volk

Fr. Hyland's Report:

- Fr. attended the Convocation the 3rd week of September.
- The council discussed the changes that have been made to the Synod and the ways it will affect the parish.
- There was discussion about possible trips that may be offered through the parish.
- Fr. discussed some classes that he will be taking to complete an advanced degree.

Deacon Jeff's Report:

- Deacon Jeff attended the C.O.R.E (Community of Religious Educators) meeting in Springfield.
- Religious Ed is going well. There are 83 students in K-8th grades and 40 youth in the Sunday evening youth group
- A representative from SACIS will provide training for the Safe Environment program this year. This has been approved by the Diocese.
- RCIA has begun. Sponsors to walk with the Inquirers on the journey of faith are being sought.

Youth Report:

- Deacon Mark taught the class on October 1. Pizza was provided.
- Fifteen youth are registered for Catholic Heart Work Camp in July.
- The youth will be assisting at the Mass on October 8 as Liturgical Ministers.
- There were many opportunities for service throughout September.
- Youth will be helping with Oktoberfest.
- The middle school youth went go-carting in September and will have a cook out and haunted house in October.
- The high school youth did the Escape game in September and will go to a haunted house in October.

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Old Business:

- Advent Mission
 - * The council discussed the upcoming mission and what the members will bring on the evening they host the fellowship after the service.
 - * Deacon Jeff will contact other ministries about hosting an evening.
- Parish Picnic
 - * The picnic was discussed. It was well attended.
 - * If possible, the choir should be involved next year.

New Business:

- Parish Feast Day
 - * The Feast Day celebration will be November 5, at noon.
 - * The menu will include spaghetti, ice cream, and pizelles.
- The council members will bring items for their donation to the Holiday Bazaar Basket to the next meeting. The theme for the basket is "Home for the Holidays."
- Dates to Remember:
 - * November 4 – Newman Night
 - * November 11 – Holiday Bazaar

Closing Prayer offered by Fr. Hyland

Faith Reflection Assignment – Matthew Mittelstaedt

Next meeting: November 7 @ 6:00 pm