

Pastoral Council

July 21,2022

Present: MaryAnn Draye, Dirk Bartram, Pat Riley, Paul Sundberg, Gina Olsen, Fr.Maurer

Absent: Sean Malone, Abner Mananhan

Opening prayer: Dirk Bartram

Review of June minutes: accepted with noted revisions

Old business:

Recruitment:

School: New first grade teacher

Still have positions available

Any referrals would be welcomed.

Parish:

Still recruiting for Admin position

Have had 2 interviews and few more upcoming

August 15, 2022 is deadline before reaching out to a Temp Agency

Main need is for data entry,monitory input, and bulletin prep.

How can Council help?

Possibly volunteer to help with bulletin and basic data entry?

May not be possible as Archdiocese is upgrading software

Term and Leadership roles:

Terms: Continue with current Schedule with terms of 1yr, 2yrs, and 3 yrs.

Leadership roles: President, Vice president and Secretary.

Duration to be 1 year and may renew once if all agree'

Current roles are due for change in August.

All should express their ideas for change at least 1 week prior to next meeting via group Email.

Focus Areas:

Welcoming charter: Question arose as to whether or not the charter is too large at this time.

Dirk presented possibility of concentrating on 2 aspects to start.

(A) Formation of small group of parishioners to increase or update their formational and to educational knowledge of church doctrine.

Dirk has met with Deacon Kirk and he is willing to assist.

(B) Welcoming to be oriented to more of Social events with some inclusion of faith and prayer.

Young Adult: It was decided that the full charter would be put on hold for now and will continue Current program started by Gina Olsen. She presented an update on the status: Board game Saturday has been held for 2 weeks with new members each week. Plan to continue through the summer and then re evaluate.

Meeting format: Continue with present format with provision of providing meeting agenda earlier to allow time for review and additions

Pastoral council prayer time: All agreed as it is thought it will bring us together spiritually.

We will begin at the next meeting at 6:30pm in the Chapel. WE will pray the Liturgy of the hours- Vespers.

New Business:

Small group Presentation:

Paul and MaryAnn researched the small group organization at St.Micheal. They have 40 groups and they include all genres.

There are templates available to assist in formation of groups.

Paul met with Macalah Maro who is the parish co-ordinator for St.Micheal He will attend the next training session on Nov. 5th to gather more information. It includes Mass and a luncheon.

Lent/Advent program:

MaryAnn is researching possibility for small group that would include Gospel reading, a meal/dessert, social time and prayer.

Volunteer BBQ:

Fr. Maurer proposed having a special event to recognize our volunteers.

Time frame might be September or October so it doesn't conflict with the school end of Summer picnic.

May consider other options depending on the date: possible catered lunch, ice cream social, food truck.

Fr. Maurer will research options and give update at next meeting.

Source and Summit proposal:

Fr.Maurer has recieved a very generous offer from a donor that is willing to cover a subscription for a yearly missal that has daily reading and mass. He would cover for 2 years. This would take us into 2024 at which time Rome and the Pope will present the new lectionary.

Budget: Todd revised the deficit as the merge of 2 positions produced a reduction in salaries.

We still face a significant shortage. Maybe need to ask parishioners to increase their gift if possible.

Dirk offered to trend the budget monthly and monitor the deficit. He will compare trend during and after the parish mission.

Eucharistic ministry: Fr. Maurer stated that it will not return in the foreseeable future. This is Archdiocese wide.

Paul has resigned as liaison to the school commission. It was suggested that we nominate Abner Manahan as he has children at St. Mark. This to be addressed at the August meeting.

Closing prayer: Fr. Maurer

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm