

Meeting Minutes – PPC meeting March 2, 2010

Attendees: Steve Robach, Jeff Olson, Andrea Grasse, Pat Loew, Mary Ann Lund, Eileen Couture, Dave Lorier, Amy Moore, Fr. Mark Underdahl, Mary Ann Henke

Soup Supper

Thank you to each of you for providing an amazing variety of delicious soups for our community this evening. Your commitment to our parish is greatly appreciated.

Unified Identity

The letter to the Archbishop is almost complete. It should be done by the end of the week. Fr. Mark is going to have a conversation with our trustees, Harry Larson and Steve Million, to ask them to sign the letter as representatives of the parish community.

Visioning Updates

- a. Two vs. Three Masses on Sundays – decision made to stay with 3 masses and work on increasing attendance and then revisit issue next year.
- b. Improved training for greeters, hospitality ministers and communion ministers – training for February 9/11 cancelled. Rescheduled for April 13 for the hospitality ministers. Servers will be contacted and trained in the next couple of weeks and lectors and Eucharistic ministers will be trained individually. The Cup will be reinstated the weekend of March 20/21, some revisions will be made regarding the number of Eucharistic ministers at each station. The Liturgy Commission is asking for a volunteer to address concerns around the scheduling of ministers. The process and tools used for scheduling needs to be evaluated. Fr. Mark has talked with the hospitality ministers at the 5:00 mass regarding their behavior in the Gathering Space vs. participation in the liturgy. They have voiced concerns about adequate seating for them in church, but have given Fr. Mark a promise to “amend” their behavior. This issue will be revisited and evaluated in the near future.
- c. New Logo – T shirts/hoodies/hats etc. – This area is on hold until we receive an okay from the Archbishop on our unified identity. We will then proceed with providing various items with our new look.
- d. Special recognition/events/blessings at masses – list created. What’s coming up in March and April – 1st Scrutiny at 8:00 on March 7, Mission Trip recognition on the weekend of March 20/21. In April we have Easter, 1st Eucharist, and Confirmation Blessing at 11:00 mass on April 12.
- e. Name Tags for worship times – Introduce in Feb.? – Need to have the hospitality training first.
- f. 5:00 mass social time – implemented and going well. The social time will start again after Easter.
- g. Use of worship aides and possible monitor/screen options
- h. Expand environment to upper walls above cross
- i. Team Building for staff – Held a Mardi Gras event in Feb. An event is planned for May. The staff will be reading Strength Finders and working with a facilitator to discover their strengths and to find ways to incorporate them into their lives. The staff has also been walking during their lunchtime.

- j. Building and Facilities Maintenance Committee – Amy is continuing to meet with various individuals about the facility.

PPC Member Terms

- There is consensus from the PPC to continue with the discernment process for selecting at-large members for the council. We will change the bi-laws to reflect this decision. We will review the term limitations and present an updated schedule of rotation for the representatives from the commissions and the members at-large.

Additional Items

- PPC contact info will be added to the website. There were no objections from the PPC to having their information posted.
- Listening session date is set for March 27 and 28. 5:00 – Mary Ann Lund and Amy 7:30 – Mary Ann Henke 9:30 - Dave 11:30 - Pat
- New Parishioner Process Update – Last month about 10 families attended the orientation held on Sunday morning. They were served the “Lumberjack Breakfast”. The power point presentation and handouts have been updated, and “goodie bags” containing various items such as rice bowls, holy water bottles, bracelets, candles, prayers, and children’s envelopes were given to the families. Amy sent out follow up notes to each of the families.
- St. Joe’s Childcare Program is offering parents opportunities Drop and Shop during the months of March and April.
- Joe’s Diner is now up and running on Wednesday evenings through March and April.
- Adult Education offerings include Old Testament Prophets – Voices for Today, March 4,11,18 from 7-8:30, and Living in the End Times by Dr. Cathy Cory on March 25 from 7-8:30.

The next PPC meeting is on April 6, 2010.

Respectfully Submitted by Co-chairs,

Mary Ann Henke
John Carney