

Church of the Precious Blood Pastoral Council Meeting – May 22, 2017

Attendees:

Father Bob: Pastor (Absent)
Madeline Badalaty: Chairman (Absent)
Karen Petrillo: Social
Tom Cooney: Communications (Absent, report provided)
Bob Hickey: Finance (Absent)
Marion Maloney: Spirituality
Richard Buntzen: Human Concerns
Linda Rovder: Liturgy
Andrea Luker: Religious Education
Maura McGann: Building and Grounds
Joan Walsh: Business Manager
Nancy Fell: Member at Large
Kitty French: Member at Large

Opening Prayer

CHAIRMAN: Nancy Fell running meeting in Madeline's absence.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

FAITH FORMATION COORDINATOR POSITION

With the passing of Mare Merritt and leaving of Kimberly Williams, there is a significant vacancy with all the activity, RCIA, Youth, Baptismal Prep,

- Part time 18 hours a week: day and evening
- No benefits.
- Approved by Finance Committee
- Parish Council agreed

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Parking lot

Tonight Monmouth Beach Borough has a planning meeting regarding approval of construction of road behind the Parish Center.

- This was not in the original plans.
- NOTE: this road is the only way for first aid, fire and sewerage company. The Parish is not asking for money to complete the road. Cost is \$11,000 road in the back.

Other – parking lot paving and lights complete, parking space lines, etc will be completed in next few weeks.

Bathrooms in Parish Center

- Two Architects providing plans.
- Need handicapped bathroom and shower.

- Women's bathroom is currently very low and tight. Reconfiguring space for diaper changing, storage closet.

Parish Center

- Stoop finished
- Sprinklers \$1,600

Baptismal Fountain

Plumber and electrician installation complete

Re-connection of light for the roof-top Cross

An extended hook and ladder is required for access to reconnect electric.

- Monmouth Beach Fire Department is unable to assist as they can not have their truck out of commission in case there is a fire. Also, if they assist Church of Precious Blood, others will ask for assistance with their lights (Christmas, etc).
- Parish Council members will ask Oceanport Fire Department.

COHORT UPDATE

- St Jerome/St Mary's, St Michaels, St Dorethea, Precious Blood and Christ the King,
- Teams developing Vision, values and objectives. Implementation plan being sent to Bishops.
- July 2nd, St Mary's and St Jerome's merger will occur.

Our linking parish is St Dorethea:

Linking means:

- 1 priest, 2 parishes
- Coordinate mass times
- Share ministries: bereavement, baptism
- Share groups: divorce, rainbows,
- Faith Building: confirmation retreat adult retreats
- Finances Separate
- Parish Council Separate
- Religious Education Separate

We will begin cross sharing information in bulletin, inviting to each others events.

- We are invited to St Dorethea's Church picnic, Sunday June 4th.
- We are inviting them to our Beach Masses.

FAMILY PROMISE

4th Annual Fundraiser - June 23rd Cabaret - our own Gabrielle, Ali and Joe will be performing!! \$35 includes wonderful music, hors d'oeuvres, wine and beer! Come one! Come All!!

PARISH PICNIC:

- Last year's 125 Celebration was wonderful. Discussion on repeating.
- Discussion on tent and pot luck. Should it be the same as 125 celebration or have a special event on milestone years.
- No decision made.

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION

- Very well received last year (even with the heat) – brought people together.
- Andrea will coordinate event.

Committee Reports

Building and Grounds: (Maura)

Rain Garden

- Met with 6 Master gardeners on Rain Garden to determine plants.
 - Ink berries and waterberries, hydrangeas and grasses.
- Plants must be salt, water and wind tolerant in line with height restrictions.
- Drifts of perennials 210 – bulbs, lilies,

Labyrinth / Mediation area

- Adding willow trees as they grow fast and provide shade.

Communications: (Tom)

- Ad in bulletin for webmaster, PR person.
- Had received initial interest in the webmaster, video and audio.
- More volunteers are needed for mass video.

Education: (Eileen & Andrea)

- This is the last week of CCD
- 354 children participated in Religious Education this yer.
- Registration is open for next year

Stewardship:

Liturgy: (Linda)

Seder -- April 9th -- 3 p.m.

- The new Seder books were used and all were given out. 29 people took the place for the readers.
- An additional 25 books will; be purchased for next year.
- Music provided once again by Molly

Palm Sunday (April 9th)

- Procession from Borough Hall – more people joined in the procession this year – signs in front of church really helped to facilitate

Triduum

- All holy water fonts were emptied
- Setup of St. Francis room
- Candles were prepared for Holy Thursday and Holy Saturday

Holy Thursday: April 13th

- Training needs to be done for the people getting their feet washed.

Good Friday" April 14th-- Service went well.

Good Friday: Tenebrae -- Service went well.

Holy Saturday: April 15th All actives went well.

Blessing of food

Spiritual Life: (Marion)

- Day of Recollection huge success with 40 people in attendance. Next year an afternoon program
- Video series – pivotal players
- Prayer Fair Sept 22nd
- Faith Sharing – continue Celebrating the Word program Oct 9th
- 2018 Men's Retreat in January - 1st weekend
- 2018 Women's Retreat in January - 2nd weekend

Human Concerns: (Richard)

Father Bob shared information about some of the Human Concerns projects and programs in the Sunday Bulletin on May 20th & 21st, 2017.

- St Dorothea 's Clothing Drive
- June 7/18 St Dorothea Food Drive
- Family Promise 1st week of June – sign up now
- Rainbows – June 12th
- Beach Access/Badge program
 - Provide beach access to Asbury Park Families in need. Access when lifeguards on duty.
 - Partnering with local churches and organizations to provide for
- Eagle's Up – Memorial Day
 - Donations for members of US Military and their families
 - People in Parish items can be designated to their unit of their loved ones
- Helping Hearts program resumes first weekend of June.

The HCC meeting was held on Tuesday, May 16, 2017.

- Summer and Fall calendar of activities was reviewed.
- Program/Project leaders in attendance shared latest updates on all recent activities.
- Additional services and program needs for the future were discussed.
- Summer Diaper Drive scheduled for July will also be accepting donations of new and/or slightly worn maternity clothes.

- The Stamp Out Despair program scheduled for October is also looking into other ways to support the challenges dealing with immigration issues.

Finance: (Bob) absent

Social: (Karen)

- St Patricks party very successful, sold out (again!)
- Next Welcome new Parishioners Party June 3rd
- Considering other activities to bring Parishioners together local scavenger hunt in car. Pot luck after .

Minutes faithfully submitted by,
Andrea Luker