

# **Church of the Precious Blood Pastoral Council Meeting – August 22, 2017**

## **Attendees:**

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

## **Opening Prayer**

## **GENERAL DISCUSSION**

### **FAITH FORMATION COORDINATOR POSITION**

No longer filling the Faith Formation Coordinator

- Baptism Program– Father Bob will lead and will build a team
- RCIA – team led by Steve Bulowski, Scott Carpenter and others
- Faith Sharing – Father Bob will work with the Spirituality committee.

### **LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Celebrating 500 years of Martin Luther.

- Pope Francis and the Lutheran Council had a service. The document, "From Conflict to Communion" a dialogue in unity,
- RC and Lutheran are the two most communion, s as theology is very similar between RC and Lutheran.

Our plans with Lutheran Church of West Long Branch:

End of October Joint Worship Service. Not mass/ no communion. Held at COPB.

Joint Activities

- Soul Kitchen.
- Cooking dinner
- Family promise – paint new facilities
- Hymn feast

## **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS**

- Renovations of Bathrooms in Parish Center will start immediately.
  - Pete Brown awarded construction. Goal for the first week of religious education and knows we need one bathroom for during
- Labyrinth – donation received
- Renovations of Parish House – bids coming in
  - Flooring – patch and refinish
  - Cabinetry – match kitchen cabinets

CC – certificate of completion is still pending. Waiting for Monmouth Beach Boro to schedule.

- This is a financial issue as the bank is holding funds and will not release until CC is received. Boro is holding funds until CC approved.
- Additionally, COPB paid \$40,000 in fees given to Monmouth Beach Boro

Monmouth Beach Boro required the Parking Lot to have Filtration system and as we as requiring the Rain Garden. The Parking Lot Filtration system will require periodic cleaning. Joan is investigating the process and costs. Need to identify way to clean

Very complicated project, with various contractors, special thanks to Joan Walsh.

## **Bathrooms in Parish Center**

Updating bathrooms, architects revised plan to have less stalls in each bathroom which will provide room for enhancements including showers. Cost \$70,000 includes new fixtures, moving walls, etc.

- Changing table in each bathroom
- Men's room adding a privacy partition, adding a storage closet.
  - 2 sinks, one lower sink for kids and taller for adults.
- Ladies room one less stall to increase size of stalls and add shower, changing station.
- Adding a handicapped bathroom via taking 5 ft of Eileen's office for handicapped bathroom. Toilet, sink and shower.

Other enhancements:

- Motion detection lights
- Filtered water fountain
- Removing bathroom off the kitchen, will turn into pantry.

## **VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION PICNIC**

Parish Council hosted a volunteer picnic on Sunday August 13. Picnic!!!!

- Very well attended - over 75 with over 50 volunteers and their families!
- Learning for next year –

- Invitations - ensure all volunteers were invited. A few people were missed.
- Organizationally, we need to set-up earlier

Parish Calendar

## **Committee Reports**

### ***Building and Grounds:*** (Maura)

The grounds are gorgeous, especially the germaniums.

A beautiful mahogany 10 foot dining room table is being donated.

### ***Communications:*** (Tom)

Still trying to find a volunteer.

### ***Education:*** (Andrea)

Religious Education

- Classes delay start to week of Sept 25th due to construction of new bathrooms.
- Teachers meeting in September 8th at 9:30am
- Students must attend 1 mass a month
  - Teachers are very happy this is being instituted as Mass reinforces the messages learned during CCD.
  - Parish Council discussed mechanics as well as message it is sending.
    - Does one only have to go to one mass a month?
    - What are the consequences? How is it enforced?
  - Emphasis on the part of the parents, letter of commitment sent to all parents.
  - Mechanism will be put in place with Ministers of Hospitality as well as teachers collecting slips.

***Stewardship:*** absent

***Liturgy:*** (Linda) absent

- Positive feedback from the marriage team on Joe Moffitt, his talent and spirit.

***Spiritual Life:*** (Marion)

AUGUST 8 2017 committee meeting

Pivotal Players:

- This was a well-attended event. Discussion of whether we should repeat this next year. The series will be made available for any person or group who would like to review them.

Prayer Fair : This is scheduled for Friday, September 22, 2017

- Plans are continuing and separate committee has been set up to help with its planning. Have contacted facilitators and invited them to next committee meeting scheduled of 8/24/17. Joan has ordered the Labyrinth for the event. We will offer 6-7 prayer styles.

Faith-Sharing

- "Celebrating The Word" starts week of 10/9/17 and will run for 6 weeks. Discussed what will be done to promote this and when we will speak at Masses. The date picked was 9/16/17. Will continue to discuss at our next meeting.
- Parish Mission: Being planned for 2018
- Next meeting is scheduled for : Sept 12, 2018

### ***Human Concerns:*** (Richard)

Helping Hearts Food Program

- Helping Hearts food program was held on the weekend of August 5th& 6th, 2017.
- Thirteen frozen casseroles were donated and delivered to The Center in Asbury Park.
- The next Helping Hearts casserole donation is scheduled for Labor Day Weekend.

Family Promise

- Family Promise Week started on July 30 and ran thru August 6, 2017.
- Our final Family Promise Week for 2017 begins on October 22nd and runs thru the 28th.

Rainbows

- Fall session will begin on September 25, 2017. 6:45pm -8pm

Food Drive St. Dorothea Pantry

- The August food drive was held on August 19th & 20th.
- After the 12:00pm mass, many people offered to help Karen pack her car.
- Once again, the St. Dorothea Pantry was appreciative of our parishioners' generosity.
- Richard will reach out to his counterpart at St Dorothea's to invite them

### Back-to-School Back-pack & School Supplies Drive

- The annual Back-to-School Back-pack & School Supplies Drive will be held this weekend, August 26th and 27th. Donations will help prepare students in need for a successful new school year.
- Donations will be delivered to a local agency that services families and students in need.

Into the Woods performance was held and benefited Haiti project. \$1,188.

The Human Concerns Committee, all the Leaders of all the committees will meet on September 19, 2017. The agenda includes the review of the past years' projects and programs and the proposed 2018 calendar of events.

### **Finance:** (Bob)

Fiscal year started July 1.

Met with outside counsel

Budget is positive

Income

- Collections are 20% ahead compared to same month last year
- Religious Education is slower due to

Expenses

- Replenished fund for Haiti. Spent in July for their school.

Next Parish update. November 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>

- Encourage people to use envelopes or online giving
- Update on how we did and 1Q results
- Reinforce the capital improvements.
- Members of the Finance Committee will speak from the pulpit

### **Social:** (Karen)

- Road Rally was very enjoyable for those who participated and they want to do again.
- Parish Picnic September 17th at the Beach.
  - Beach Mass at 12pm followed by
  - Attendees bring something
- Italian Party –
  - Date will be set, either October 14 or October 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Welcoming Party- October 7<sup>th</sup>

Minutes faithfully submitted by,  
Andrea Luker