

Prince of Peace Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

January 12, 2016

Attendees: Fr Gerald Walsh, Vickie Eiden, Tim Popp, Chris Angelo, Marge Waldschmidt, Norb Pozen, AnnaMarie Seminary, Robert Fitzpatrick, Ellen Wing, Rich Elmore, Lisa Weideman, Anamarie Andresen, Thomas Evan, Jeanne Gundrum, Elsie Maddappally

Absent: Fr Dan Sullivan, Fr Adam Blatt

- A. Meeting opened by Vickie Eiden at 7 PM. Opening prayer by Robert Fitzpatrick.
- B. Minutes reviewed and approved. To be sent to web master to be put on parish web site.
- C. PPC Liaisons to Commissions assigned
 - a. Community Life-Chris Angelo, Anmarie Andresen
 - b. Liturgy-Robert Fitzpatrick, Thomas Even
 - c. Spiritual Life-Elsy Madappally, Lisa Weidermann
 - d. Formation/Education-Marge Waldschmidt, AnnaMarie Seminary, Ellen Wing
 - e. Pastoral Concerns-Jeanne Gundrum, Norb Pozen, Rich Elmore
 - f. Parish Resources-Tim Popp, Vickie Eiden
- D. Goals of PPC for the coming year
 - a. Members to introduce themselves to their commissions and let them know they are available to assist them in their work and thank them for all they do.
 - b. To continue ministry of the week. Vickie to send out formatted pages of commission member information. Encourage commissions to review information on their parish web page and update if necessary
 - c. Review PPC bylaws and revise if necessary
 - d. Work on parish goals after determined by the transformation process
 - e. PPC meets once a month usually third Tuesday but subject to change for parish events. PPC hosts two commission meetings a year in spring and fall for commission leaders to meet and exchange ideas. This year there will be no spring meeting due to transformation process.
- E. Deanery report-Vickie
 - a. Discussion on the synod and importance on the family continued. The 11 questions posed in October prior to the Pope's visit will continue to be discussed this year.
 - b. The Deanery Leadership day will not be held this year due to scheduling problems.
 - c. The Deanery Family Picnic will be July 30, 2016 at the St. Mary Seminary grounds in Mundelein
 - d. The future of the parishes was discussed including the number of priests, the number of parishes, the sustainability of parishes by combining parishes, have 1 pastor over several parishes, having a lay coordinator over a parish.
 - e. The Pope requested stressing works of Mercy, attending to the needs of the poor. Lent will be the start of the Year of Mercy.

- f. Vickie requested 2 members of the PPC attend the Deanery meetings. Meetings set at this time are February 17, at St Joseph in Round Lake. The June meeting will be at Prince of Peace.
- F. Table Comments
 - a. The PPC member who has prayer of the month will forward the questions in the PPC book on the credenza in the gathering space to Barb Ruhl to get an answer to the question. The PPC member will report questions at the PPC meetings.
- G. Open Forum
 - a. Possibly provide info on voting—will be taken up by staff
 - b. Place a chair behind the altar
 - c. Provide a first aid kit and have a procedure to clean up blood in various places in the buildings
 - d. Have an eye glass disposal box for old glasses.
- H. Pastor Report
 - a. Fr. Dan is in rehab after breaking his leg. He will be staying with his sister during his recovery. Please send well wishes to the office.
 - b. Lent begins Feb. 10. There will be a 5 day Mission presented by Fr. Justin Belitz OFM
 - c. Parish Transformation will begin in February. The facilitator from the Archdiocese will be Tina Fox-Walker
 - d. March 15 will be Reconciliation. 6th, 7th, and 8th graders will be given opportunities for reconciliation
 - e. Review of Holy Week activities
 - f. St. Peter School in Antioch will be closed next year.
 - g. There is a wait list for Prince of Peace School
 - h. Vocations-the diocese hosted an event “Who will fill these shoes”. Two individuals from the parish went. Keep them in your prayers.
 - i. Father is working with two men to start a men’s spiritual group. Grace Filled Women has a growing number of members.
- I. Closing Prayer by Robert Fitzpatrick at 8:50

Next meeting will be March 8, 2016 at 7:00 PM. Norb Pozen to be Prayer Leader

Submitted by Jeanne Gundrum

