

Holy Spirit Parish Pastoral Council

February 7, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Present: Father Dick, Ryan Bowman, Pat Cahill, Scott Held, Logan Good, Kathy Malby, Conn McKelvey,
Chris Munsterteiger, Mark Meyer

Absent: Elaine Becker, Dawn Clutter-Collins, Kirsten Dige, Keith Hollenbeck, Keri Leggett

1. Choice Wine. There is interest from a few couples to participate. Finding time to do it is proving to be an issue. Will check to see if monthly sessions would be easier to do than weekly.
2. Mardi Gras planning. School will help with decorations. Jobs and name blocks of recently registered parishioners, for council members to call and invite will be sent out by email. Meat is available, so we don't need to buy any.
3. Diocesan Pastoral Plan. Priority One: Parish Life and Liturgy. We as a parish have a good grip on this. All areas are good but team for welcoming new parishioners hasn't taken hold in the past, however, our youth and other groups do an excellent job.

Priority Two: Evangelization and Discipleship. Discussed areas listed in plan. Our parish has done all of them. Some areas are stronger than others but no major concerns for this priority.

Priority Three: Vocations to Priesthood. The parish is putting more emphasis on this priority. We want to make it more visible and have greater discussion within our church community.
4. "Forming Intentional Disciples" Book Discussion. Chapter 6, "The 2nd Threshold: Curiosity"

3 basic stages of curiosity: Awareness, Engagement, and Exchange. Ask questions rather than give answers to rouse curiosity. Read Chapter 7 for next meeting.
5. Tithing Loose Collection. Allocated to Great Falls Central Catholic H.S. for food pantry startup.
6. Update on GF Catholic School System. Nothing new to report. Father Dick will attend meeting on February 8th to further discuss the plan.
7. Admin Report. Sold Artz house for 170k. Will net approximately 130k. With consolidation looming, will not need St. Peter and Paul building as a school as originally planned. What should be done with it? Need to discuss options for its use. Mid-year financial numbers look good. 946 families gave money to church out of a total of 1350ish. This family count is strictly from envelopes. 2.4% higher giving for this calendar year versus last year. \$20000 ahead of budget in giving from envelopes for fiscal year. Our Care and Share amount for 2016 has been met and extra funds remain to be put toward this coming year's obligation.
8. Commission Reports. Religious Formation: Peter and Paul usage and maintenance was discussed.

Worship: No meeting. Christian Service: Focus on programs to get people out to homebound for visitations.
9. Thank you cards. Stewardship speakers, Christmas tableau organizers, Christmas decorating crew
10. Appreciative inquiries. Pat shared one with the council.
11. Closing Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Held/Logan Good