

Holy Spirit Parish Pastoral Council

March 7, 2017 Meeting Minutes

**Present:** Father Dick Schlosser, Elaine Becker, Pat Cahill, Dawn Clutter-Collins, Kirsten Dige, Logan Good, Keith Hollenbeck, Keri Leggett, Kathy Malby, Conn McKelvey

**Absent:** Ryan Bowman, Scott Held, Chris Munsterteiger

1. Opening Prayer. Kirsten read from Second Letter of St. Paul to Timothy. Discussion was followed by the Prayer to the Holy Spirit.
2. Approval of February minutes was made by consensus.
3. "Forming Intentional Disciples" Book Discussion. We discussed Chapter 7. Chapter 8 was assigned for next meeting.
4. ME25. We discussed forming better dialogue between the Council, commissions and parish staff. We identified the following strengths of our parish and how we can build on those strengths:
  - a. Involvement in ministry → multiply training opportunities
  - b. Hospitality (coffee/rolls, fellowship dinner) → diversify opportunities
  - c. youth involvement → find more ways to involve youth
  - d. Attract diversity → include more diverse music (feast days, etc.)
  - e. RICA/Sacraments
  - f. Father Dick/pastoral leadership
  - g. Religious education program/formation
  - h. Stewardship
  - i. Sanctuary
5. Mardi Gras Review: The dinner was a successful event.
6. Tithing Loose Collection: Follow up with Central Catholic HS and their food pantry.
7. Update on Great Falls Catholic School System: It was discovered that Lourdes doesn't have a separate budget for the school. Their budget for the parish and the school are run together. They took samples from HSCS budget and will begin working on their financials. Once those are established, exploratory committees will be set up to discuss demographics, facilities, tuition, salary, etc.
8. Administrator's Report. The boiler at the Monsignor House has not been replaced. Summer projects will include resealing the parking lot, and building a trench/dry creek to address the standing water on the west side.
9. Commission Reports:
  - a. Religious Formation – nothing to report
  - b. Worship – guidelines for adoration times was discussed
  - c. Christian Service – nothing reported
10. Appreciate Inquires: We will be changing this to "For the Good of the Parish" to discuss what good things we've heard going on the parish.
11. Thank-you cards: Faith Lutheran Church, Great Falls High School Jazz Band.
12. Closing Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Keri Leggett