

Holy Spirit Parish Pastoral Council

February 6th, 2018

Present: Fr. Doug Krings, Scott Held, Kaci Allen, Greg Matsko, Mark Meyer, Dawn Clutter-Collins, Kathie Malby, Pat Cahill, Logan Good, Lori Durocher, Elaine Becker

1. Opening prayer to the Holy Spirit led by Fr. Doug
2. Minutes from the January 9th meeting were approved.
3. Review of the *Symbolon* program continued with the first section on Divine Revelation – the disclosing of God to us through Scripture, Tradition, and the Magisterium.
4. Fat Tuesday planning - reminder to call the new members on your list, Mark has the food order covered, set-up on Monday, decorating on Tuesday at 4pm, the potluck will be at 6pm, Fr. Doug will open with a prayer, the GFHS Jazz Band will entertain and be paid by donation.
5. Filling the opening on Parish Council was discussed. Parish membership must be verified and then the new member will be contacted by Fr. Doug.
6. Tithing/Loose Collection ideas were reviewed. The Boys and Girls Club will be the February recipient and Big Brothers/Big Sisters will receive the funds in March.
7. Small Group up-date was led by Dawn. The book Growing An Engaged Church was followed by Living Your Strengths and strength assessment. The Small Group now needs to implement and “dove tail” new small groups into the parish body. Judy Held is ready to begin a new group. Fr. Doug is in agreement with the group goal to move forward and enhance parish renewal. He will speak to Aubrey about the project. Money has been allocated for Mark to order more books for the program.
8. Administrative Report was presented by Mark. An attorney has been hired to represent the 12 named parishes. Holy Spirit will contribute \$6,500 toward legal fees. The first concern is to establish ownership of parish assets.
9. Commission Reports –
Religious Formation will only meet in the future out of necessity.
Participation has primarily been staff and Parish Council members.

Christian Service has had good success with the new Grief and Bereavement meetings. They have been well attended and meaningful. The next meeting is on 2/20/18.

Worship Committee is presenting an afternoon “retreat” for all ministries on 2/18/20 at 3 pm. The next meeting will be 2/20/18 at 7 pm.

10. The parish Bible Study led by Jeff Cavins has been well received with 80+ attending. It is highly recommended by Fr. Doug. Future bible studies are already planned. All are welcome.
11. Thank you cards – let’s be more proactive with this work of the council. Members are encouraged to give this some thought prior to the next meeting.
12. Closing prayer to the Trinity was led by Fr. Doug.

Respectfully submitted,
Elaine Becker