

Holy Spirit Parish Pastoral Council

September 4, 2018

Present: Fr. Doug Krings, Scott Held, Dawn Clutter-Collins, Mark Meyer, Lori Durocher, Kirsten Dige, Logan Good, Keith Hollenback, Elaine Becker, Kacie Allen
Greg Matsko

1. Opening prayer to the Holy Spirit was led by Fr. Doug.
2. Minutes of the June 5th, 2018 meeting were approved.
3. New members were chosen. Fr. Doug will invite Colleen Davis and Jerimiah Harris to join us and Dawn has decided to remain on the council.
4. An additional Mass will be added at 6pm on Sunday evenings starting at the end of October. This will be in correlation with the meeting of the Youth Group.
5. The Parish picnic, and Mary's retirement party, is this coming Sunday following the 11am Mass. All council members are asked to help make this event a success. Mark will order the grilled food which the parish is providing. Salads and desserts have already been requested in the bulletin.
6. The history of the ME25 survey and Living Your Strengths program was reviewed by Dawn. Small group follow-up has already been occurring. Living Your Strengths is being used to identify each person's God given talents, and use those strengths to develop a more engaged parish. Parish Council will begin a small group to participate in this program in the fall.
7. Fr. Doug reviewed the purpose and responsibilities of the council and commissions. Council members are assigned to a commission to act as a liaison between the commission and the council.
Religious Formation is currently not an active commission.
Worship Committee is meeting monthly.
Christian Service is reported as "scattered" at this time.
An extended discussion ensued regarding the life cycle and need for new activities and programs in the parish.
8. It was decided that Logan will be the new Vice Chairman and that Dawn will retain the Chairmanship of the council.

9. Administrator's Report - Mark stated that the large overhead lights in the church will require replacing as replacement parts are no longer available (a parishioner with electrical expertise is assessing the need).
Revenue – the budget projected a 3% increase for the year but in reality has seen a 3% decrease. The budget will remain unchanged for the upcoming year and it remains to be seen if it can be met. Parishioners may need to be reminded of the need for parish revenue.
Staffing changes will include utilizing the resources and talents already existing at Holy Spirit. Mary's former position will be modified. Aubrey is taking over coordination of worship, Fr. Doug will handle funerals (and many other jobs), Nick will do RCIA and formation, Cody will be Music Director and elementary formation, and Christian Service will continue their work with the deaf community.
10. Thank you cards were sent to Mary Dupuis, the parish gardeners, and the new teacher at CCHS for adding the corpus to the cross.
11. Closing prayer was led by Fr. Doug.