

St. Ann Catholic Church
Parish Pastoral Council Meeting
01/14/2020

In attendance: Msgr. Jarboe, Ian Hamilton, Darrin Sabol, Lucy Austin, Jacob Minang, Jim Jardinier, Carly Jardinier, Christopher Zanetti, Jim Balog, Joan Crown, Kammie Noel, Erin Walshkirkman, Guest: Lisa Noel, Coordinator of Youth Ministry and Communication.

Meeting began at 7:05pm.

Agenda:

Introductory Items

Information Item Highlights

Discussion Items

Concluding Items

INTRODUCTORY ITEMS:

- The 12/10/2019 Minutes were approved.

Report of the Chair:

- Ian complimented the Advent and Christmas festivities that took place last month.
- He noted the large Confirmation class with 37 students enrolled, 23 of which are boys. This is double the amount of students enrolled in last year's class.

Report of the Pastor:

- Monsignor gave thanks for all involved in the Christmas season celebrations.
- He said several parishioners have undergone medical treatment recently and asked to keep them in prayers: Fran Startzman, Mary Ann Croco, and Joe Tischer.
- The demolition of the old St. Maria Goretti High School building will begin in early March. The building will be used 3 different days of training exercises by the Washington County Sherriff Department before it is demolished.

In order to accommodate our guest presenter, Discussion Items were presented first.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Pastoral Plan (Worship, Initiative #6) Better Opportunity for Youth Participation: Lisa Noel reported that:

- The middle and high school youth are quite involved with the Mass and faith formation classes.
- In 2019-20, 39 teens and young adults served in multiple roles.
- There are 25 active TiM Teen participants, 10 of which are seniors in high school.

- “Mount 2000” is a youth retreat at Mt. St. Mary’s University in February. Last year, St. Ann sent 6 girls, and in 2018 we sent 4 girls. This year, there are 11 teens signed up, both boys and girls.
- There are 19 young adults, high school, middle school and chaperones attending the March for Life. St. Ann has not had many attend this event in recent years.
- There is large participation in the ‘crossover’ events such as Family Advent and Soup Suppers, which include all grades and youth.

Prep for New Members in the Discernment Process:

- The first announcement of the Ministry Discernment Process will be 01/25 - 26/2020.
- Ian suggested talking with those we think would be good candidates and asking if they would be willing to be part of the discernment process for vacancies on the Pastoral Council and Commissions.
- Speakers are needed to announce the process at all Masses. Please contact Ian if you can speak at the 5:00pm, 9:00am or 11:30am Masses.

INFORMATION ITEM HIGHLIGHTS

Faith Formation Report: Carly reported that:

- We’ve been having a lot of discussion about how to engage and foster participation of the 18 - 35 age group. We are developing a short survey that they can fill out to hopefully give us some ideas and inspiration.
- We have also been brainstorming how to improve website communication. The Adult and Family sections of Faith Formation have been updated with current educational opportunities and events.
- Our next meeting is 2/6/2020.

Outreach Commission Report: Jim Jardinier reported that:

- The REACH Cold Weather Shelter will be staffed the week of March 8 by St. Ann volunteers. All spots are filled.

Parish Life Commission Report: Joan Crown reported that:

- The “Cookies for Kids” went well after all Masses December 21st and 22nd. Different parishioners handed out cookies at all the entrances.
- January “Coffee and Conversation” will be hosted by some of the youth in our parish and the Haiti committee will be hosting in February.
- The “Chili Cook-Off” preparation is underway. Mike Root spoke after all masses last weekend promoting the event. We are asking for 18-20 cooks. The cook-off is Saturday January 25th at 6:00pm. Anyone who attends is asked to bring a dessert.
- We are starting discussions now for the Valentine’s social which will be our next event.
- Our next meeting will be January 21, 2020 at 7:00pm.

Stewardship Commission Report: Jim Balog reported that:

(1) Re: Archdiocese of Baltimore Annual Appeal for Catholic Ministries:

(a) Reviewed AOB comparative progress statistics from Appeal 2019;

(b) The Appeal will be held this year in February;

Announcement Weekend: 02/01-02/2020

Commitment Weekend: 02/08-09/2020

Follow-up Weekend: 02/15-16/2020, allowing some “space” before Lent and Haiti Littlest Angels campaign begins.

(c) We are requesting from AOB a seminarian to speak re: one of the Appeal elements – supporting the formation of future priests – to encourage increased support;

(d) We will encourage parishioner giving, regardless of amount, and remind it’s an opportunity for a portion of their 5% tithing share for other/non-parish causes;

(2) We discussed initial thoughts/plans re: 24th Annual Parish Golf Outing this coming spring;

(3) Considered possible info session at a future “Coffee and Conversation” for estate planning/legacy giving to parish.

Worship Commission: Kathleen Hynes, not present: Monsignor reported that:

- Preparations for Lent have begun. Praying the Liturgy of the Hours will be a scheduled event.

CONCLUDING ITEMS

Church Safety: Chris Zanetti reported that the Safety/Security Committee met earlier tonight and discussed goals for 2020. One goal is to raise awareness of general safety. The next meeting will be Tuesday, 02/11.

- The meeting ended with closing prayer at 8:30pm
- Next meeting: Tuesday, 02/11/2020
- Compiled 01/16/2020 by Erin Walshkirkman

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