

St. Charles Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

Opening, Call to Order

Date: April 16, 2024 Time: 6: 37 PM

In Attendance:

Deacon Don, Bob James, Pat James, Andrea Scott, David Scott, Karen Leffel, Karey Fallon, Kevin Fallon, Marta Rose, Brian Heath , Kim Heath, Leticia Palacio, Adela Montalvo

Fr. Michael supplied the opening prayer, read by Kevin Fallon.

Focus on Faith – Readings for 4th Sunday of Easter are read (please consider printing at home, or following along electronically), followed by discussion.

Approval of meeting minutes- Moved David Scott , Second Bob James

Questions, Comments – Jeanette Orzo clarified, by email, that Audrey Brinkley won the raffle for “Irish Whisky Cake”, not Irish Soda Bread, as previously reported.

New Business:

1. Marta updated P.C. that budget is due to diocese by 5/15. There was a request by Mike Strub (as reported by Marta) for the PC to support a line item for 6,000.00 for charitable donations. This will replace the Living our Mission monies, which finished in the last budget year. Discussion ensued, with Marta helpfully explaining and clarifying the current budget and current decision- making process for donations. David Scott motioned to make a line item to the budget maintaining the past level of donations. Kevin Fallon seconded. The council voted in favor of adding the line item to the budget.
2. We reviewed numerous suggestions of changes to the bylaws. Spirited discussion ensued. The matter is tabled at the end of the PC meeting.
3. Bob James announced the Walk for Life is coming up; please advertise and consider participating.

Old Business Update:

1.

Finance Council Reported by:

Archives Chair: Marge Surran

Ecumenical Chair: Open

Facilities Management Chair: Rob Harris, reported by Rob Harris

- The Maintenance Group met for its first time on Saturday, they will meet to work on project every 3 months.
- We are getting pricing on repairing the cracks at the front of the church and repairing the church doors. I am hoping that we can do this in the near future.
- Construction will begin soon on the parish hall ramp extension.
- We are working on permitting an extension to the rectory deck.
- With all the rain we have had this winter and spring, I am happy to report we did not see any water leaks in the church or the parish hall. Our roofing work seems to have been successful!

Helping Hands Chair: Joan Natali

Hispanic Ministry: Chair: Adela and Jose Montalvo, Leticia Palacio

Migrant Ministry: Chair: Karey Fallon

The first camp mass of the season was held on Palm Sunday at the Ames Camp. Our next mass will also be held at Ames Camp on April 21st at 6;30pm. We plan to hold our first parish meeting in early May to discuss the upcoming 2024 season.

Parish Life: Chair: Jeanette Orzo and David Scott

Religious Ed: Chair: Kevin Fallon

Religious Education

Classes continue to be held every other week through May 5, 2024. Class times are as follows:

Morning Sessions K-8: 10:00 AM to 11:15AM

Afternoon Session 9-12: 2:50 PM to 3:50 PM

Enrollment (24)

Reconciliation/First Communion - 7

Family of Faith (non-sacramental formation) - 5

Confirmation - 12 (1 student is taking the class but not seeking confirmation yet)

Final preparations are being made for First Holy Communion which will be celebrated on Mother's Day weekend. We chose to celebrate the sacrament during the regular weekend masses to allow parishioners to be involved. The children were given the option to celebrate receiving their first holy communion at any of the masses offered during that weekend May 11-12, 2024).

Current Catechists:

Judy Chuisano: Reconciliation and First Communion

Karey Fallon: Family of Faith (Non sacramental); Confirmation

Maureen Bochman: Family of Faith (Non sacramental)

Kevin Fallon: Confirmation

Laura Sherman Rudmin: Trained VIRTUS Parent for Afternoon Session

Adult Faith Formation

Introduction to the Bible by Ascension Press - We have one remaining classes for this faith formation journey. We have approximately 17 pilgrims journey through a bible timeline with Karen Leffel, 3 of which are non-catholics (yay for evangelization).

Fundraising: Chair: Tara Ashworth

Social Ministry: Chair: Mike Strub

Worship Chair: Pat Hill and Scottie Paschall

New Office Info: Chair: Marta Rose

Secretary's Time: (clarification of notes taken, if necessary)

Pastor's Time & Closing Prayer: Closing prayer supplied by Fr. Michael and read by Kevin Fallon.

Adjourned : 7:58, April 16, 2024

Next Meeting: May 21, 2024 6:30PM