Common Pastoral Council
Minutes from the February 23, 2017 Meeting

Members Present: *Father Mike, Father Tim, Katie Falk, Marcia Frankiewicz, Heidi Belongia, Annette Lucchesi, Paul Burgoyne, Tom Ewing, Tom Croasdaile, Steve Luke, Rosemary Reyes Cuevas, Jenny Mendenhall, Diane Bandurski, Jennifer Wall, Katy Borowski, Ginny Kollasch, Joe Ziino, Chris Hauser and Dave Tully.*

I. **Prayer and Adoration**

II. **Benediction**

III. **Meeting Called to Order** (*Katie Falk*)

IV. **Hospitality**

A. Update from Parishioner Engagement Team: Marcia Frankiewicz reported that the new parishioner welcome brunches/dinners are working well. The Parishioner Engagement Team has received positive responses and they will be sending out a survey to new parishioners to solicit additional feedback. The venue for these events may vary in the future. Bob Schuelke has also been training host ministers in each of the parishes. These ministers serve as contacts and resources for new parishioners.

Action Item: Each parish is encouraged to have a monthly hospitality event. CPC members are to discuss possible events and be prepared to offer ideas and suggestions at the next meeting.

B. Responses to Christmas Greeters: The CPC received positive feedback from people who served as greeters and from those who encountered the greeters at Christmas masses. There may be an opportunity for increased training and coordination with the ushers and other ministers going forward to ensure that everyone is aligned on their role. In the future, the CPC would like greeters to be present at all major masses and holidays. We will target the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday as the next masses for greeters to participate.

Action Item: **Marcia Frankiewicz** will be the contact for training and coordinating greeters for Easter. CPC Members should contact Marcia with suggestions for greeters.

C. Next Hospitality Objective: The CPC Members discussed potential options for another hospitality objective.

1. **"Thank-You Event"**: Diane Bandurski suggested a "thank-you" event for all lay ministers.
    a. **Action Item**: Each parish should consider what types of events they have done in the past and propose an event for their lay ministers. The CPC contacts who will lead the discussion for each parish are **Rosemary Reyes Cuevas** (SSPP), **Katy Borowski** (OLDP), **Katie Falk** (THW) and **Heidi Belongia** (OSM). Each parish is encouraged to suggest parishioners who may be interested in leading these hospitality events.

2. **CPC Name Tags**: Marcia Frankiewicz proposed name tags for all CPC Members to wear at Mass. Saints Peter and Paul have had good success with the council members and lay ministers wearing name tags as it encourages people to engage with each other. The nametags could include the person's name/"Common Pastoral Council" for CPC Members and then names for all lay ministers as people may serve in multiple roles.

    a. **Action Item**: **Annette Lucchesi** will get pricing and information on nametags for the CPC Members to consider.

V. **Miscellaneous Continued Discussions**

A. ***Logo for Family of Four Parishes:*** This discussion was tabled until the next meeting. **Father Tim** is working with Joe Wittmann on this issue.

B. ***Feedback on ARISE Mission***: The ARISE Mission event was very well attended and successful. Father Tim and Father Mike reported that approximately 500 people participated across all parishes and the surrounding communities. The CPC Members who attended the event had positive feedback about the event and all are encouraged to provide specific feedback to Sara Larson. Although the Ministry Fair was less attended, the CPC Members who attended thought it was time well-spent.

Action Item: Specific feedback about the ARISE Mission event can be provided directly to **Sara Larson**.

C. ***Hospitality Summary (Archdiocese of Milwaukee)***: The CPC Members discussed the hospitality and stewardship summary from the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

Action Item: **Marcia Frankiewicz** will compile the responses so the CPC can evaluate where each parish falls on the continuum of hospitality and stewardship.

Action Item: **Marcia Frankiewicz** also reminded CPC members to suggest parishioners for the Communication Team.

VI. **Stewardship**

Father Tim clarified that stewardship on finances is being handled by each parish's finance committee. The CPC's stewardship efforts will focus on a vision for "time and talent" resources. As an initial, step the CPC will develop a "job description" for stewardship and then consider parishioners from each parish who may be interested in serving in this capacity.

Action Items: CPC members will review the Archdiocese's handout on stewardship to discuss the "job description" of stewardship.

VII. Pastors' Report

Father Tim provided an update on entering into a potential relationship with central city parishes. After discussing with the parish Staff, Father Tim proposed a broader relationship between our family of four parishes and four central city parishes -- St. Michael's, St. Rose's, St. Martin de Porres, and All Saints. This relationship will provide more opportunities for service and ministry with the parishes and will serve as a model for the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. To kick-off the relationship, Father Tim proposed that our Lenten almsgiving project be directed to supporting a need at All Saints for a meal program coordinator. More information will be provided on the parish websites and at Mass. The CPC agreed that we should move forward with pursuing this relationship.

Father Mike provided information on the following Lenten events: Lenten Retreat (March 5th); Lenten Day of Service (April 1st); Small Group Book Study of Jim Wallis's "Original Sin" (Thursdays beginning on March 2nd); and Milwaukee Stations of the Cross (March 18th). More information is available on the parish websites.

Father Tim provided information on the Catholic East Gala. The event will be held on May 4th and is an important fundraiser for Catholic East. The CPC members will be donating baskets for the silent auction with the following members coordinating: **Annette Lucchesi** (OLDP); **Ginny Kollasch** (OSM); **Katie Falk** (THW); and **Jenny Mendenhall** (SSPP).

Action Item: **CPC members** interested in attending the event should RSVP to Lee Ann Blackmere by March 1st.

Father Mike provided information on the March 17th Ordination of Father Jim Scheurmann and Father Jeff Haines as our new auxiliary bishops.

VIII. Upcoming Parish Events & Activities

April 1st: SSPP Trivia Night at Catholic East Gym (7:00 p.m.)
April 30th: OLDP's Annual Festival at Falcon Bowl (10:30 – 6:30 p.m.)
May 13th: SSPP's Monte Carlo Night at Catholic East Gym (6:00 p.m.)

IX. Next Meeting: March 23, 2017