

COMMON PASTORAL COUNCIL

MINUTES FROM JANUARY 25, 2018 MEETING (OSM)

Executive Committee Present: Father Tim, Katie Falk, Rosemary Reyes Cuevas, Heidi Belongia, and Annette Lucchesi.

Members Present: Paul Burgoyne, Tom Ewing, Tom Croasdaile, Pat Suminski, Samantha Haas, Steve Luke, Jenny Mendenhall, Jon Kuta, Jennifer Wall, Ginny Kollasch, Joe Ziino, and Dave Tully.

Visitors Present: Sara Larson, Rich Harter, Confirmation Class members.

I. PRAYER & ADORATION

II. BENEDICTION

III. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER (*Katie Falk*)

Youth Minister: Sara Larson gave an update on the efforts of the Family Ministry team including the Beacon Moms groups, family mass and family holy hour, family justice brigade (service oriented group for families), children's ministry, monthly family formation meetings, and Good News Adventure (June 18-22, 2018). The Family Ministry team's efforts have focused on families with younger children and have been well-received by the family of four parishes. However, Sara's team has noted a need for youth ministry focused on kids in 6-12 grades. Current efforts focused on this group include religious education, mission trips through ECYM, volunteering through the Good News Adventure, and the Nova Youth Ministry. Sara's team is currently spending 5-10 hours a week to support Nova Youth Ministry for 6-8 graders, but these efforts are outside the scope of their area and are not sustainable. Additionally, research shows that kids decide to leave the Church as early as 13. Statistics from our own parishes show that numbers decline from First Communion classes to Confirmation classes. As such, Sara's team is renewing their proposal to hire a part-time youth minister with experience in this area. The Confirmation Class members present supported Sara's recommendation. Father Tim asked the individual parish councils to discuss the recommendation at their February meetings. The goal would be to include in the budgets and if we move forward, to have this person start in July 2018.

ACTION ITEM: IPCs to discuss recommendation to hire a part-time youth minister at February meetings.

Evangelization: Rich Harter (Director of Evangelization for the Archdiocese of Milwaukee) spoke about evangelization. Rich focused on the practical next steps the CPC can take to move forward in its evangelization efforts. Specifically, Rich recommended that the CPC start by reading "Great Catholic Parishes" by William E. Simon, Jr. and focusing on the practical themes and practices including collaborative leadership, the art of evangelization, and the weekend experience. Strategically, we need to plan for discipleship and be intentional about training evangelizers to evangelize. Rich offered to provide intensive training to small groups with

relational encounters focused on the scriptures. Rich also recommended participation in the Missionary Discipleship Institute through the John Paul II Center. The next session is scheduled for February 17th from 9 a.m. – Noon.

ACTION ITEMS: Annette Lucchesi will facilitate purchase and delivery of the book for the CPC. CPC members will read and be prepared to discuss Chapter 2 of the book at their IPC and CPC meetings. CPC members will then identify members of each parish who may be open to participate in the focused evangelization training with Rich Harter.

Lenten Planning & Programming: Father Tim advised that we will be partnering with Catholic Relief Services and focusing on immigration this year. More information will be coming in the bulletins.

CPC Member Terms: The IPCs discussed and reported on their individual schedules for members to rotate off the CPC/IPC.

Appendix to Parish Pastoral Council Norms: The CPC discussed a revised draft of the Appendix. Additional revisions required on the nomination and selection of new members, committees, and number of meetings per year.

ACTION ITEM: CPC members with additional comments on the draft appendix to send to Heidi Belongia. Heidi will circulate another draft before the March CPC meeting.

Volunteer Opportunities: The CPC generally agreed that it could be helpful to compile all the volunteer opportunities across our parishes into a central resource.

ACTION ITEM: Katie Falk and Annette Lucchesi will create a handout for the parishes and consider opportunities for distribution through social channels.

Pastor's Report: Father Tim provided the following updates:

- St. Rita's is being sold. The last Mass will be on March 18th and then the 10:30 Mass will be at Holy Rosary. There will be a special prayer service and party the week after Easter to deconsecrate the church.
- There is an offer on the table for the Cramer building. The resolution with the convent is delayed. We are approaching this property in phases.
- Father Tim is meeting with the OLDP IPC and Messmer about St. Mary of Czestochowa.
- There will painting and work done on the lighting at OSM in February. Daily Mass and overflow from the weekend Masses will be held in the Parish Center. OSM's windows will be cleaned this summer.
- Each parish will be planning a going away party for Father Mike.
 - **ACTION ITEM:** Each parish should discuss proposed plans at February IPC meetings.
- Father Tim is working on filling the associate pastor role.
- Dave Tully has resigned in his role as OSM trustee and CPC member. We thank Dave for his 12 years of service to OSM.

Upcoming Events:

- **Social Justice Commission:** Jon Kuta provided an update on activities supported by the Social Justice Commission. Please see the attached report and information.
- **OLDP:** Hospitality weekends are the first weekend of each month. April 15th is the festival at Falcon Bowl.
- **SSPP:** The Apostles' Café is held after the 7:00 p.m. Mass on the first Sunday of each month. February 10th is Monte Carlo night and this year it has a Mardi Gras theme. The event will be held at Holy Rosary.

2018 CALENDAR – MEETINGS

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February 22, 2018 (IPC)
March 22, 2018 (CPC @ OSM)
April 26, 2018 (IPC)
May 24, 2018 (CPC @ OSM)