

Pastoral Council Minutes

February 8, 2018

Irma Deimeke opened the meeting with a prayer.

Those in attendance were Fr. Dan, , Irma Deimeke, Amy Strubhart, Carrie Trame, Brad Richter, Jackie Chiarolanza, Lori Kampwerth, Marvin Ratermann, Ryan Faust & Carol Imming.

Guests in attendance: Dcn. Steve Aubuchon. Absent: Kenney Haselhorst.

Old Business:

Approval of minutes from 1/11/2018 was moved by Lori Kampwerth and Jackie Chiarolanza and unanimously approved.

Joint Pastoral Council Meeting will be Tuesday, February 20th @ 7:00 pm. at St. Rose School Cafeteria. Meet at the Aviston church parking lot at 6:40 pm if you want a ride.

The book “Perfectly YOURSELF” was handed out after Christmas masses. Any feedback on the books? Some have started reading it and commented that it seems interesting and some good points were taken from it. We will comment more after some have finished the book.

Our part of the Pictorial Directory has been sent to Life Touch. 303 family photographs were taken or submitted. We will need to proof read the final product. No price has been received on the cost of additional copies. Several people have showed an interest in wanting to buy a copy. Fr. Dan mentioned ordering 100 directory books for the parish to distribute to future new parishioners.

Vocations Ministry: - Kenny Haselhorst was not at the meeting. Irma Haselhorst commented that Kenny meet with the other two parish’s vocation representatives and will bring more up at the Joint Pastoral Council meeting this coming Tuesday in St. Rose. Fr. Dan mentioned we need to be aware of all vocations in the parish. We need to talk more about vocations, there are all kinds of vocations, not just priests, nuns, etc.

CYM mass – There were many great comments on the youth mass that was held January, 28th with the Karl Zimmermann band present. The mass was very nice and glorious! Many youth from St. Francis and St. Rose parish really enjoyed it. It was good to see the youth so involved in the mass. The attendance was so good that folding chairs were needed. A comment was made that the music was very good and that the Aviston Choir is just as good. It would have been nice if The homily would have been more involved with the kids. Fr. Dan and Fr. Ed were out of town. The following Sunday, the number of people that attended mass was up. The mass was a success. How do we keep this going? There was a Discussion of how to get high school kids and 8th graders involved, with proclaiming (readers), ushers, etc. Fr Dan said that they encourage 8th graders to get more involved in the church at confirmation time. One idea floated was to Do a high school mass and then do a grade school mass every quarter? Fr. noted that a Major Societal shift is occurring during this time in the parish. Commitment is very important, however, making lasting commitments is not something that resonates within our current society, especially with the youth. If we have reached a few people or touched one person, it is a success. We will discuss it again and probably have another youth mass in the future. The CYM leaders and CYM youth were praised for the work involved with this mass. Special vocation weekend for the parents, put on by the kids, was mentioned by Fr. Dan . We will discuss it again and probably have another youth mass in the spring time or every quarter.

Fr. Dan presented a report on attendance of masses. St. Rose will continue having a mass at St. Francis Parish till sometime in April according to current plans. We discussed the times of masses, how many people attend each time of mass. It was mentioned that if you attend mass together as a family you stay together as a family.

New business – Ash Wednesday starts Wednesday, February 14th. Eucharistic adoration will be on Sunday, at 12:00 pm. until 4:00 pm. Stations of the Cross on Friday's at 7:00 pm during lent.

Business size cards that give the “Best Lent Ever” website on them will be passed out at all the masses this coming Saturday and Sunday, February 9th & 10th. You can go to the website and sign up during lent. Special CD's for Lent will be in a basket at each door of mass Feb. 17th and 18th for anyone that would like to pick one up.

Next meeting will be March 8, 2018 at 7:00 pm.

The closing prayer was The Our Father.