

Pastoral Council Minutes

April 12, 2018

Opening prayer was done by Amy Strubhart.

Those in attendance were Father Dan, Irma Deimeke, Marvin Ratermann, Ryan Faust, Marvin Ratermann, Lori Kampwerth, Kenny Haselhorst, Carol Imming, Brad Richter, and Amy Strubhart.

Guest: Milissa Faust. Absent: Jackie Chiarolanza and Carrie Trame

Milissa spoke on the PSR program on how they are educating the students and they are learning the Catholic faith. Also, a band has played at mass to show them music is a way to pray through music. Lynn Huegen, Kelly Kampwerth, and Milissa are looking to start Luke 18 retreat and to incorporate the high school students and the CYM to help. The Galen blankets, money raised was \$1200 and they made the blankets during PSR class. They were then given to the Cardinal Glennon and Children's Hospital.

Old Business

Approval of minutes on 3/8/18 was moved by Father Dan and Amy Strubhart.

Vocation Ministry: April 22nd is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations mass which will emphasize on the vocation of "marriage". St. Rose, St. Felicitas and CYM will host the 9:30 am mass. Kenny said there will be donuts, coffee, & juice after mass outside or in the gym sponsored by Knights of Columbus. There will be a "special gift" passed out after mass. Flyers will be given out at the school to all the students and to encourage the youth and parents to attend. "Our Marriage Prayer" cards will be passed out. A Vigil for Vocations will be held at St. Rose at 3:00 pm in the church if it is done or it will be in the school.

CYM: Lori said the youth helped at the Knights of Columbus lunch. They took a small group to go see the movie "I Can Only Imagine". She recommends to go see this movie if you have not. They are looking forward to the vocation mass.

Confirmation: The mass will be Wednesday, May 9th at 7:00 pm. Thirty students will be confirmed and the Bishop will be there. Queen of Hearts is the same evening. Will be blocking off the parking lot and roads between schools. Signs will be up so people will know where to park. The legion members will help with parking, also.

Jackie was absent from the meeting and Irma reported that parish directories will be shipped on April 23rd.

New Business

Irma mentioned that the picnic meeting will be April 23rd at 7:00 pm in the Heritage Room. The next Joint Pastoral Council Meeting will be Tuesday, May 8th at St. Francis Heritage Room.

Fr. Dan read a letter from the St. Rose 150th Sesquicentennial inviting St. Francis to participate in the parade that will be held on Sunday, October 7th. We will think about this and will let them know by September 1st.

Pastor's report: Fr. Dan mentioned that, according to some researchers, high schools are dealing with a youth population in crisis. Many youth are on cell phones all the time to the point that they don't know how to directly interact with others or deal with failure, etc. This seems to be part of the suicide and violence crisis within this age group. Mater Dei High School and others are trying to address these issues by creating opportunities in which students are Encouraged to communicate and do projects. The concept is to turn off the phone and instant messaging and directly encounter each other face to face, and get to know others on a much deeper, more human level. Its goal is to help them work together and to bond with groups outside their "snap chat," "yelp", etc. group that tends to be closed micro groups or anonymous individuals. Hopefully it will help staff and students to recognize and help students at risk.

Sister Ellen Orf, from Damiansville who was hired a few years ago to work with the Spanish community met with a group of Spanish and Latina ladies and she taught them how to make tacos and then they sold them.

Next meeting will be Thursday, May 10, 2018.

Closing Prayer done by Kenny.