

Pax Christi Pastoral Council

Tuesday, January 21, 2014

Minutes

Members Present:

Council:

Sally Burns
Zeljko Bajzer
Carol Stortz
Scott Ladwig
Barb Schuh

Parish Trustees:

Pete Streit
Teresa Silker

Parish Administrator:

Mark Oldenburg

New Business

Pastor's/Administrator's Reports

In the spring, we will work on updating parish pictorial directory and database. We will need to draw on everyone to complete the task.

Last Sunday Sr. Jan and Fr. Joe changed the baptisms. Instead of performing baptisms during Mass, there will be a group event after Mass. Also working with parents on what the sacrament means and raising the child Catholic.

Virtus training: 42 people attended January 7th session. The plan is to have a training session in Rochester every month, rotating among the parishes.

The parish staff will be going on retreat January 30 – 31 for an overnight stay at Camp Victory. Staff is working together very well and the council is excited for how well the team is working together.

December was a good month financially and under in expenses.

Continuing Business

Seeds of Wisdom

An initiative, called Seeds of Wisdom, to fund the building of a school in South Sudan will be presented at Masses February 8/9. It will be an individual appeal, not a parish responsibility. One of the organizers will be here to present the case and play a video during homily. Stability of region will be addressed during presentation.

Review of new Pastoral Council member candidates

Invitations have been made and search is ongoing.

Adult Spiritual Development Commission

Commission meeting was postponed from January 8 to 29. There will be Lenten initiative; more information to follow.

Social Justice Committee Update

There will be an insert in this week's bulletin about a retreat. General content is "how to be a church for the poor". It will be held at Holy Spirit. A representative from Catholic charities from St Paul will speak and there will be profiling of the book *Tattoos on the Heart*, by Fr Boyle. Retreat will be held February 1 and book discussion is on February 25.

Open Forum

IHN is next week, still many open areas.

There is investigation underway to determine if the baptismal font can be repaired or needs to be replaced.

Next meeting February 18**Thank you notes**

Mark Scheitel for Christmas Cantata, the performance and preparation.

Note to Joe Kelly for organizing Christmas celebrations. Thank you for the liturgy preparation and Christmas organization.