

St. Anne & St. Charles Parish Council

Minutes

October 25, 2017

Opening Prayer: The opening prayer was done by the parish council.

Roll Call: Present at the meeting was: Fr. Anthony Camilleri, Deacon Mike Hammond, Jason Flint, Kathryn Olson, Nancy Bartus, Bill Carter, Dominic Charles, Jim Geiermann, Jackie Lancina, Carol Shaw, & Brian Walz. Secretary, Theresa Szatkowski.

Absent: David Grenn.

Guests: Gina Baker on behalf of School and Office of Religious Education, David Brinkmeier on behalf of St. Charles Building Committee, Sue Miller on behalf of St. Charles Christian Service, Pete Lorenz on behalf of St. Anne Finance Council, Nick Craanen as vicariate representative.

COMMISSION REPORTS

St. Charles School: (Gina Baker reporting on behalf of Principal, Catherine Grinn) We are moved into the new school and all is up and running. Both early elementary and grades 1-8 playgrounds are installed and being used. The planned cement slab with basketball hoops for the grades 1-8 playground has been postponed until spring and then will be revisited. A few IT issues are being resolved - full use of computers and iPads will resume when filter has been installed (filter has been paid for - just waiting on final set up which IT company completes). Estimated completion about 1 more week. Craft show for October 28 organized by Mrs. Grinn - good response so far with 48 tables rented. Advertised in various places & expecting good attendance.

St. Charles Athletics: Bill Carter: Football season completed, Volleyball has started and is in the works, Basketball beginning in early November. Coaches meeting to take place October 30 to discuss expectations on behavior, how to properly treat and protect the kids, etc. Deer Camp Dinner is schedule for January 12, 2018 with doors opening at 5pm and dinner at 6/6:30pm.

St. Charles & St. Anne Office of Religious Education: Gina Baker: Religious Education Classes began in mid-September at both sites for a total of about 140 students. Confirmation enrollment was October 8 at St. Charles 10am Mass. Meetings for First Reconciliation/Communion students and their families is November 13 and 14 at the respective parish. We will discuss expectations and priorities with them. About 33 children are making their Sacraments. We have begun a Confirmation preparation class for all confirmation candidates. The class meets at St. Anne the second Sunday of each month from 6-8pm. We are using Matthew Kelly's *Decision Point* as a basis for our instruction. Cemetery clean-up is Saturday, October 28. Eight confirmation students have signed up to help. This is to fulfill part of their confirmation expectations. Each candidate must complete 4 parish projects and 12 family/community service hours before confirmation.

St. Charles Building Committee: David Brinkmeier: The new school building is completed and the next phase is to decommission the old school buildings. The repair and re-tuck-pointing of the N. Dixie wall of the church was completed and discussing next wall to do this process with. Replacing the flooring of the sanctuary is in process of still collecting funds before moving forward.

Deacon Mike recognized David Brinkmeier and his family as KofC's family of the month.

St. Anne's Christian Service: Carol Shaw: Children's Halloween party October 29th from 4-6pm. November 4 Memorial Mass for the deceased. November 19 Advent Tea, and December 2 & 3 Christmas Bizarre. Barb Ellison will be putting boxes at St. Anne to collect socks and underwear for the needy to be donated to Oaks of Righteousness.

St. Charles Christian Service: Sue Miller: Funeral ministry has assisted with 11 funerals so far at St. Charles in 2017. Blood Drive took in 56 pints of blood and there were 9 first-time donors. The red cross may try to hold two blood drives next year, possibly including St. Anne's. Advent Tea is Sunday December 3 from 2-4pm. More information to come in the bulletin. Prayer blanket ministry has given out 390 prayer blankets. Thanksgiving blessings - we have 6 families we will be assisting at Thanksgiving with turkey dinners. Christmas Blessings - still working on plans for this. Christmas Giving Tree will include items for the food closet at St. Anne's and Baby items for New Beginnings Mercy House. Sue also discussed the article 'Faith & the Power of Prayer' story about a miraculous pro-life story concerning the birth of a baby from a family within our parish as a testimony to the pro-life message and the power of prayer.

St. Anne Evangelization Committee: (Jason Flint on behalf of Laura Smith)

A. Updates on AOD's Implementation of New Evangelization:

1) As scheduled for August of this year, the Archbishop has identified the members of the New Evangelization Council. A copy of his August 21, 2017 letter listing the names of the members was distributed. As noted in the letter, Bishop Battersby will chair the Council.

2) Remaining for the AOD by the end of this year includes the development of a pilot coaching team to assist in developing AOD standards for Parish Leadership Teams. Parishes are scheduled to have Prayer and Intercession Teams and to create Leadership Teams by the end of this year.

B. Review of the committee's 2017/2018 Budget: Assuming our budget has been approved, there is \$50 available for Inner Healing (Theophostic) Prayer and \$1,500 available for New Evangelization Formation Programs.

C. Possible New Evangelization Programs this Fiscal Year: Three possible programs were discussed:

1) Auto Rosary – Encourage use of the Auto Rosary to evangelize by clipping this one decade Rosary around the rear view mirror. It not only evangelizes that one is Catholic but also reminds the driver how to respond when another driver cuts them off. Program would be to pay ½ of the \$10 price for every parishioner wanting one. (Decision: Would not be enough interest.)

2) Neighborhood Contacts – Establishing a Reach out Network at St. Anne's. The Network would include members of St. Anne's who would be contacts to those in their neighborhoods for updates on happenings at our parish, as well as inviting them to the happenings. The Network would first address our inactive, registered members. It would be a parish wide program – not just for the members of our Evangelization Committee. (Decision: Would be difficult to get volunteers to be their neighborhood contact. Table for future consideration.)

3) Inspiring Speakers – Bring in speakers to inspire parishioners. (Decision: Tabled)

D. Inner Healing: Sue noted that she and Dick continues to receive requests for Theophostic Prayer and it continues to heal those seeking prayer. Also, the Vicariate Inner Healing Prayer Team will be at St. Anne's on Saturday, Sept. 16th from 1:00-3:00pm for hands on Prayer.

St. Charles Evangelization Committee: (Jason Flint on behalf of Karen Flint)

Sadly the Evangelization Committee recently lost 3 members: 2 moved out of the area and one is now a Parish Council member. Father Anthony is reading and studying the document: "Unleash the Gospel",

after which we should better understand what the Archbishop would like to see happening throughout the Diocese. The Committee will then be revitalized and possibly joined with St. Anne's Committee. Our last endeavor was a book study on the "Rediscover Catholicism" book by Matthew Kelly. The book was distributed at Christmas time to all parishioners and we followed up with a book study during Lent. Approximately 25 people attended and we received many positive comments.

Worship Commission: Fr. Anthony: AOD's Office of Evangelization encouraging pastors to form leadership team and attending formation training worship. We will be doing this on December 6 to form pastoral leadership team with hopes of initiating an intercessory prayer team beginning in January. Review of November Special Masses: Nov. 1 (All Saints' Day) 8:30am SC, 7:00pm SA. Nov. 2 (All Souls' Day) 9:30am SA, 7pm SC. Nov. 8 Vicariate Vocation Mass at SC with Bishop Battersby, 7pm (social following in gym). Nov. 18 Fr. Solanus Beatification Mass at Ford field, tickets available to pick up at the parishes.

St. Anne's Finance Council: Pete Lorenz: Waiting for year-end & 1st quarter reports. More information to follow at next meeting with commissions reporting in December.

St. Charles Finance Council: Carri Brede (bookkeeper) was unable to attend. No report. Will update in December.

Monroe Vicariate Rep.: Nick Craanen: Budgets for next fiscal year were approved, there is a new treasurer for the vicariate committee. Mentioned the parish leadership team workshops trainings available in or near our vicariate on November 11 and December 6. List of vicariate commissions will be coming out in vicariate newsletters and which vicariate reps/committee members are needed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: September minutes approved with revision of adding Vicariate Rep to list of committees reporting.

BUSINESS: Continued discussion of the Archbishop's Pastoral Letter, *Unleash the Gospel*, Guideposts 1 & 2. Discussion mostly revolved around pages 11 & 12. Guide post 1: The New Pentecost: pg. 11 - the need to rest in the Lord and spend time in prayer. The upper room - when the Holy Spirit came, the supernatural occurred. This can still happen today when we are open to the Holy Spirit. Repent & believe in the Gospel. Fr. Anthony talked about the importance of confession as we grow and change and how important it is to really try and accompany those who want to find the truth. Discussed approaching people gently and walking with them as they begin to encounter Jesus. Discussed personal testimony and how an encounter with Jesus in our lives may not necessarily be a profound moment of testimony, but that our steadiness of just being with God through our everyday lives is a testimony.

Closing prayer was led by Fr. Anthony, for the infirmed & homebound of the parishes.

Next meeting will be on Wednesday, November 15 at 7:00 pm at St. Charles.