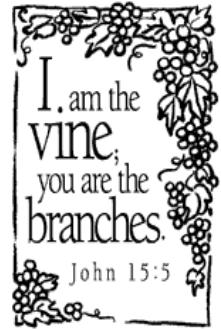


St Vincent de Paul Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

18 July 2017 ~ 6:30 pm



Regular Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm with Deacon Jerry Green leading the opening prayer.

Members Present: Deacon Jerry Green, Walter (Butch) Ballauer, Jerry Degruise, Joe Garvin, Kaye Hemerline, Jan Hetherington, Bev Kalmar, Tom Moomey, Craig Shanteau, Helen Thrush, Kaylie Willoughby

Members Not Present: Don Kenny, Sue McQueen

Guests: Zack Lobsinger (Finance Chair)

Minutes from the May 2, 2017 Joint Finance/Pastoral Council meeting were approved as amended.

Pastoral Council (PC) 2017-2018 Updates

The PC welcomed our new members-Joe Garvin and Jan Hetherington. The new member info chart was reviewed and will be distributed. A list of individual council members term was shared and will be reviewed at our September meeting.

PC Council voted unanimously for the following slate: Chair Jerry Degruise, Vice-Chair Butch Ballauer, and Secretary Kaye Hemerline, however the PC will definitely need new replacements for Chair & Secretary for the 2018-2019 term.

PC meetings will be held Tuesdays @6:30 pm at St Vincent de Paul Hall as follows:

PC 2017-July 18, Sept 19, Nov 7

PC 2018-Jan 16, Mar 6

Joint PC/Finance Council Meeting-Oct 3 (PC chairs mtg), May 1 (FC chairs mtg)

Finance Council and Commission Reports

Finance Council (FC)- Zack reported that Finance Council will be meeting next week so there is no new report at this time.

Evangelization Commission (EC)- Kaylie & Deacon Jerry reported the Spring 2017 Alpha program was well-received with over 100+ participants attending the weekly sessions. Our Alpha success has been noted at Diocesan meetings and Deacon Jerry is handling inquiries from other parishes on implementing Alpha in their parishes. EC will be meeting next week to discuss plans for future Alpha events and will discuss possible meal/catering options to reduce the Alpha meal costs.

Deacon Jerry shared the *Whole Community Catechesis* information leaflet that will be distributed to SVdP parishioners. This monthly program is held following Sunday mass from 10:45-12:15. Parishioners are encouraged to attend Sunday mass then share a meal together in the Parish Hall followed by breaking into age-appropriate catechesis groups. Dates for this program are **2017-Oct 1, Nov 5, Dec 3, and 2018-Jan 7, Feb 4, Mar 4, April 1, & May 6**. A suggestion was made to utilize this leaflet as an evangelization tool which would then be mailed to all our absent parishioners as a welcoming invitation to have them come back to their parish home.

Christian Service Commission- A concern was shared regarding the urgent need to update our funeral luncheon policies/procedures to simplify the menu plans and lessen the physical/time demands placed on volunteers. Volunteers would like to see the process streamlined to lower food costs and make volunteer duties less demanding so that they can remain actively involved in this ministry.

Motion made by Butch to have a subcommittee composed of experienced volunteers and Deacon Jerry to meet and create a simplified funeral luncheon policy that will effectively address current concerns.

Motion passed unanimously.

Faith Formation Commission (FFC) & Youth Ministry (YM)- No report at this time. Chair Jerry will be contacting FFC and inviting a representative to come and share updates at our PC meetings.

Worship Commission- No report at this time. Deacon Jerry shared that there was a positive response to a recent bulletin request asking for volunteers to serve on the Art and Environment Committee. Hopefully we can continue expanding our faith community in this area.

Stewardship Commission- No active commission at this time.

New Business

- Deacon Jerry asked for the PC's input on a recent survey sent out by Bishop Cistone to all Diocesan parishes to gain their input/insight into youth and vocation issues. He will be using this parish input to compile his report for the upcoming Bishops' Synod 2018.

Next Meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at 6:30 pm in the St Vincent de Paul hall.

Deacon Jerry led the closing prayer and meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kaye Hemerline