

DATE: 30 OCTOBER 2016

RE: 00CTOBER 2016 PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

IN ATTENDANCE WERE:

Fr. Scott, Fr. Chris, Terry Beecroft, Karen Bucyk, Gene Cote, Marc Dodier, Maureen Donahue, Joanne Levesque, Dianne Mills

The meeting was held at Star of the Sea Morgan Hall. The meeting started with an opening prayer provided by Jack Luz and refreshments provided by Karen Bucyk.

It was decided by the Parish Council that prior to each month's meeting a report would be distributed giving the updates on certain projects that do not necessarily need to be discussed at the meetings.

The Pilgrimage - 26 Pilgrims went on their spiritual journey by way of a bus on Oct 3. All in attendance enjoyed their experience and Fr. Scott mentioned maybe a 2nd trip for 2017, heading south this time.

1,000,000 Works of Mercy – Up to 115,146 Works of Mercy with less than 3 weeks to go. It was decided that for the end of the Year of Mercy, our collaborative is offering a bus trip to Boston to walk through the Holy Doors at the Cathedral in Boston for Mass and a tour. The trip also includes a side trip to Castle Island for lunch.

Knights of Columbus – We have 27 members and the Knights will soon be involved in activities for the Living Water Catholic Collaborative. They recently had their annual Tootsie Roll Drive and raised \$999+ between the two Parishes.

Organization/Staff – No further updates at this time.

Holy Family Christmas Fair – Scheduled for November 5. Event total amounts will be forthcoming.

Clever Container Fundraiser – Amount raised was \$200+ to be used for youth initiatives in 2017.

Bean Supper/Harvest Dinner – Both Parishes recently hosted dinners that were well attended. Following the Star of Sea bean supper, there was a performance by Eric Genuis.

Billboard – Hoping for an Advent/Christmas billboard for Nov 26-Jan 9. Any suggestions for a slogan? Cost will be \$700 or so.

RCIA – We have 4 inquirers including 2 not baptized, and 2 that are baptized.

All Saints – Masses at Holy Family on Monday and Tuesday, Masses at Star of the Sea on Tuesday.

All Souls – Mass at both Parishes. Prayer Service at Fr. Lee's altar at the cemetery.

All priority teams have had at least their first meeting.

Updates were given for the following teams: Fr. Chris for the Faith Formation team, Fr. Scott for the Vocations team, Terry for the Justice and Service team, and Maureen for the Hospitality team.

Fr. Chris and Fr Scott spoke about the Evangelical Catholic which Dianne has now become a member of. So far there is 9 participants who will be going through about 20 hours of training over the next 3 months.

Eucharistic Meeting/Holy Hour – Taking place after the Masses for All Saints Day. Recommitment prayer and setting term limits.

Christmas Outreach – The book "Resisting Happiness" will be given out at the Christmas Masses. We are again sending out Christmas cards with the Mass schedule on it. The times of the Masses are the same as last year.

It was decided to have the Outreach table again at the Christmas Fair, on November 5th.

Other events/activities that were discussed included:

11/19 – Bus Trip to Holy Doors at the Boston Cathedral

11/19 – Haitian Night Fundraiser for Fr. Ixon and his family.

The next meeting is December 4, at Fr. Morgan Hall at 6:45pm, with hospitality starting @6:30pm.

Refreshments for the next meeting will be provided Marc Dodier.

Opening prayer for next meeting will be provided by Terry Beecroft and closing prayers will be provided by Maureen Donahue.