

CHRIST THE REDEEMER PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes, March 23, 2015



Attendance

<i>Parish Staff</i>		<i>Present</i>
Pastor	Rev. Sean P. Horrigan	Yes
Parochial Vicar	Rev. Orrin Halepeska	Excused
Parochial Vicar	Rev. Ralph Roberts	Excused
Deacon/ Parish Administrator	Phillip Jackson	Excused
Parish Secretary	Charlotte Conner	Excused
<i>Parishioners</i>		

<i>Parish Pastoral Council</i>		<i>Present</i>
PPC Member 2014-2016	Herman Ayala	Yes
PPC Member 2015-2017	Troy Bretz	Yes
PPC Member 2015-2017	Matt Carpenter	Yes
PPC Member 2013-2015	Greg Gehrt	Excused
PPC Member 2012-2015	Lynn Gondesens	Yes
PPC Member 2013-2015	Donna Heath	Yes
PPC Member 2015-2017	Susan Sarao	Yes
PPC Member 2015-2017	Jason Shipe	Yes
PPC Member 2014-2016	Brad Snyder	Yes
PPC Member 2014-2016	Nancy Unverferth	Yes
PPC Member 2013-2015	Lisa Veenstra	Yes
PPC Member 2014-2016	Mark Whetstine	Yes

Opening

- Meeting began at 7:04 PM
- Opening prayer—Brad Snyder

Open Forum

- No parishioners in attendance to address the Council.

Information Sharing

- Parish Update by Father Sean
 - Staff:
 - Looking to fill a need in the Maintenance Group while an employee is out for shoulder surgery.
 - Facilities Update:



- Next Phase of CtR Campus – Completed initial meeting to discuss future programming for new building; about 10 acres are available for expansion. Herman and Brad represented council during meeting. HBL Architects met with CtR staff regarding needs and thoughts for future expansion. Goal is for HBL Architects to compile data/information to present the concept for the new building in May; present a sketch of how building will look in June; discuss finances with Capital Campaign Advisors in late summer.
- Activities and More:
 - Spring Festival Volunteer Registration kicked off this past weekend. The festival is scheduled for April 25th/26th (Saturday/Sunday). Many shirts were sold following the kick-off.
 - By August, CtR is expecting to have baptized about 300 individuals.

Open Discussion

- CtR School:
 - To help determine the cost of tuition, reviewed the cost for 18 private schools in the area (10 non-Catholic/ 8 Catholic). Plan is to increase a little each year rather than make large increases and hold constant for multiple years. Father Sean hopes to calculate a "true cost" for education (on a per child basis) to present to parents next year.
 - Plan to create a school board by next year.
 - Considering an idea to form a partnership with an inner city Catholic school to share CtR's blessings in financial support and service.
- Family life and teaching the Catholic faith:
 - Father Sean shared a blog that touched on how some parents are unable to assist in a child's Catholic development because of their deficiency in Catholic teaching/understanding. The Council discussed various ways to connect with parents to teach the Catholic identity to their children. Plan to revisit in the future. Some ideas brainstormed include:
 - Passing out "A Minute in a Church" or "YOUCAT – Youth Catechism of the Catholic Church" after mass
 - Creating a task force to reach out to new parishioners or to parents of recently baptized children

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- Focusing on the importance of the Mass and the Eucharist
- Spring Festival:
 - Members signed up to help at the Ticket Booth
 - Briefly reviewed the tentative flow of the booth line
 - New \$25 Unlimited Ride Bracelet will be available; users will have to leave the booth wearing bracelet
 - Council members will bring In-Shell Peanuts for festival attendees standing in booth line
 - Father Sean considering cancelling Sunday 5PM Mass due to festival – low attendance and parking difficulties in the past

Closing Prayer:

- Brad Synder led closing prayer.
- March Prayer Volunteer—Jason Shipe

Closing

- The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 PM.

Calendar Planning - Meeting dates for the upcoming year (subject to change):

April 28, 2015

May 26, 2015

June/July—No meeting

August 25, 2015

September 22, 2015

October 27, 2015

November 17, 2015

December 20, 2015 – Christmas Party