

CHRIST THE REDEEMER PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes - September 27, 2016



Attendance

<i>Parish Staff</i>		<i>Present</i>	<i>Parish Pastoral Council</i>		<i>Present</i>
Pastor	Rev. Sean P. Horrigan	Yes	PPC Member 2014-2016	Herman Ayala	Yes
Parochial Vicar	Rev. Ralph Roberts	No	PPC Member 2014-2016	Brad Snyder	Yes
Deacon/ Parish Administrator	Deacon Kerry Bourque	Yes	PPC Member 2014-2016	Nancy Unverferth	Yes
Parish Secretary	Charlotte Conner	No	PPC Member 2013-2015	Lisa Veenstra	Yes
			PPC Member 2015-2017	Jason Shipe	Yes
			PPC Member 2015-2017	Troy Bretz	No
<i>Parishioners</i>			PPC Member 2015-2017	Matt Carpenter	Yes
			PPC Member 2015-2017	Susan Sarao	Yes
New CtR staff:			PPC Member 2016-2018	James Taylor	No
Dcn. Jeff Willard			PPC Member 2016-2018	Aubrey Surovik	Yes
Christy Wright			PPC Member 2016-2018	Gilda Bartz	Yes
			PPC Member 2016-2018	Ashley Bass	Yes

Meeting began 7:04p

Opening prayer Jason Shipe

PPC Matters

- PPC picture is up on the website!

Open Forum

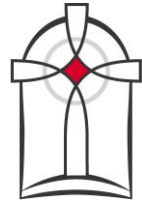
- No parishioners in attendance to address the Council
- Welcomed Christy Wright - new Director of Family Life
- Welcomed Dcn. Jeff Willard - new Director of Liturgy

Information Sharing from Fr. Sean & Dcn. Kerry

- Pilgrimage was very powerful. So many amazing places were visited. Fr's highlight was Budapest - surprisingly beautiful city. The last Mass was celebrated at St Stephen's Basilica in Budapest, Hungary.
- Youth Ministry will be starting a Post-Confirmation program. Weekly meetings in small groups to keep the formation going since "Confirmation is not graduation". Giving these young adults the opportunity to stay together and keep learning.

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- RE continues to grow - 1500 registered, 300 home schooled. Late registration open 9/28. This year the focus is on Prayer.
- Genesis is full with a waiting list in both 2-day and 3-day programs.
- Constables will be out on Huffmeister to monitor traffic during school zone times.
- AC blower motors were replaced in the church. The office AC is back up and running also.
- Cleaning companies - CtR had changed companies and we are now switching back.
- Church roof leaks - Matt Carpenter has an IR Camera that he will use to check out the walls of the church to see if he can identify where the leaks are happening in the walls.
- Campaign Follow up
 - We are getting close to the \$4 million benchmark - currently at \$3.9.
 - Banks are sending back their responses - still waiting on 2 more.
 - New building architect has drawings at 90%. CtR will put them out to bid by mid-October. Hoping in early November to be able to compare and then make a decision in hopes to break ground by end of year or early start of 2017.
- Article on Catholic Trends - interviews with young people that had left the faith - as young as 10 making a choice to disengage from the faith. Fr Sean shared this with the CtRCS staff since they are so influential. He will share this article with the PPC, along with an article Fr Jeff Kirby wrote "Building for Business or Building for Mission?"

Other Items

- Matt Carpenter shared that CtR is looking to have a program for RCIA graduates once they have finished the program and are new practicing Catholics.
- October is Respect Life Month. Fr Sean is looking to identify a family to be the coordinator for Respect Life for CtR.
- Dr Stephen Klineburg, is a sociologist and urban planner. He is tracking many areas of social research. He presented an overview of the Houston area. His presentation was filmed and Fr Sean is interested in sharing it with the Pastoral team of the parish - possibly at our next PPC meeting. The presentation shows the trends that Houston is the most diverse city in the country -- and Houston is what the country will be in 30 years.
- The showing of the Director's Cut Film Presentation of *'The Original Image of Divine Mercy Documentary'* here at CtR was very successful; attracting over 400 attendees from throughout our archdiocese.

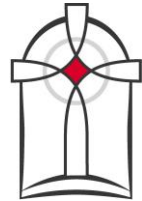
Remaining meeting dates for 2016

October 25

November 29

December 18 (Sunday 6:30-9:30 for Christmas Social in Rectory)

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October Prayer Volunteer: Susan Sarao

Closing Prayer Jason Shipe

Meeting adjourned 8:29p