

Common Pastoral Council
Minutes from the March 23, 2017 Meeting

Members Present: *Father Mike, Father Tim, Katie Falk, Marcia Frankiewicz, Heidi Belongia, Annette Lucchesi, Paul Burgoyne, Pat Suminski, Rosemary Reyes Cuevas, Diane Bandurski, Jennifer Wall, Katy Borowski, Ginny Kollasch, Joe Ziino, and Dave Tully.*

I. **Prayer and Adoration**

II. **Benediction**

III. **Meeting Called to Order** (*Katie Falk*)

IV. **Hospitality**

- A. ***Proposed Monthly Hospitality Events:*** Each parish provided suggestions for monthly hospitality events. OLDP had a Bloody Mary social in March and will be planning another event after Easter. OSM is planning to revive monthly coffee & donut Sunday after Easter. SSPP has a monthly coffee and sweets after Mass. THW is planning to restart coffee Sunday after Easter. Information and reminders will be included in the bulletins at all parishes.

Action Item: Each parish to schedule and coordinate monthly event. Consider sign-up sheets for people to volunteer and bring treats to share. CPC members should leverage other people and lay ministers in each parish to help facilitate.

- B. ***Proposed “Thank-You Events”:*** Each parish provided suggestions for a thank-you event for their lay ministers. Events will likely be scheduled for this summer.

Action Item: Each parish should coordinate with their staff and Father Tim on the details (*e.g.*, food, beverages, location, *etc.*) for planning and scheduling these events.

- C. ***Nametag Update:*** Annette Lucchesi provided an update on nametags. Based on feedback from the Liturgists, Annette recommended that they join our next meeting to discuss nametags, greeters and other related issues. The CPC agreed with Annette’s recommendation.

Action Item: Annette Lucchesi will invite the Liturgists to join the CPC’s April 27th meeting.

- D. ***Easter Greeters:*** Marcia Frankiewicz is leading the parish efforts to coordinate greeters for the Sacred Triduum and Easter Masses. CPC members are encouraged to volunteer if available. Marcia is also reaching out to the Family Ministry team and people who served as Christmas greeters. Father Tim suggested the confirmation class members and families to serve as greeters.

Action Item: CPC Members should send Easter greeter suggestions to Marcia Frankiewicz. Marcia will coordinate nametags and training materials for all greeters.

- V. **Stewardship:** The CPC discussed ways to inform parishes about the nature and purpose of stewardship. THW has done a stewardship program/training in the past. The CPC will consider potential action items from those materials (*e.g.*, witness talks, belonging to a committee, *etc.*) and then be responsible for implementing in each parish.

Action Item: Father Tim will share the THW stewardship information. CPC members will consider simple action items to encourage stewardship at each parish.

VI. Miscellaneous Continued Discussions

- A. **Hospitality/Stewardship Summary:** Marcia Frankiewicz is working on compiling the summary results. Tabled for discussion in April.
- B. **Logo for Family of Four Parishes:** Father Tim shared an initial draft of a proposed logo and name for our family of four parishes. The CPC discussed the criteria from the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, ideas and purpose of the logo from a branding perspective. Members of the confirmation class made several suggestions for updating the logo.

Action Item: Father Tim will work with Confirmation class members on a revised version of the logo for the CPC to consider at its next meeting.

- C. **Feedback on Lenten Mission:** The CPC shared feedback from people who attended the Lenten Mission. Father Mike reported that 275 people attend the second event at SSPP. Both events were well attended and members received positive feedback about the content and format, including the reflection time, small group discussions, outreach to the community, and hospitality. Others shared feedback about the non-traditional format and how praise/worship may have been outside some attendees' comfort zone.

VII. Pastors' Report

Father Tim provided an update on entering into a relationship with the central city parishes. He has discussed with their leadership and the next step will be an official letter to their pastors and councils after Easter. To kick off the relationship, our almsgiving project for Lent will be to support the meal program at All Saints. Information will be in the bulletins and offerings will be collected on Holy Thursday.

Father Tim also advised that immigration will be an important social justice topic moving forward.

Action Item: CPC to see the letter from Archbishop ListECKI in the bulletin/Catholic Herald to brainstorm on potential educational and advocacy opportunities.

Father Mike discussed the CPC schedule for the remainder of the year. We will meet in April and May before breaking for the summer. Father Tim will have a summer cookout and meetings will resume in September. The CPC members will serve a 3-year term before rotating off the council and discerning new members.

VIII. Upcoming Parish Events & Activities

April 8th: Communal Reconciliation Service (Holy Rosary)

April 9th: Palm Sunday

April 13-15th: Holy Triduum

April 15th: Celebration for RCIA candidates after Holy Saturday Masses (OSM)

April 23rd: Confirmation

April 23rd: Spaghetti Dinner (St. Rita)

April 29th: Welcome Brunch for new parishioners

April 30th: OLDP's Annual Festival at Falcon Bowl (10:30 – 6:30 p.m.)

April 30th: First Communion at OSM

May 4th: Catholic East Gala

May 6-7th: First Communion at THW, SSPP and OLDP

May 13th: SSPP's Monte Carlo Night at Catholic East Gym (6:00 p.m.)

IX. **Next Meeting:** April 27, 2017