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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Teresa Cloutier	SK Site Absent	Romaine Chappell	OLP Site
Sue Godin	SK Site	Bert D'Appolonia	OLP Site
Gord Jenkinson	SK Site	Bob Johnson	OLP Site Absent
Marina Lamoureux	SK Site	Laurie Jones	OLP Site
Aline Radey	SK Site	Marlynn Paul	OLP Site
		Jeannette Rainville	OLP Site

Minutes

MEETING DATE: Wednesday, November 25th @ 7pm (moved from Nov. 18th)
LOCATION: Board Room of Our Lady of Peace Site

Our PPC met on November 25th and discussed the following pastoral issues:

(1) Parish initiatives post-Arise; (2) Re-evangelization of our community; (3) Refugee sponsorship; (4) Change in Mass times; (5) Prayers before Mass; and (6) Nominations for new member(s). The following is a brief summary of the conclusions we reached.

Re: (1) The following input was received at the end of Season V of Arise from the Group Leaders (seven groups):

44 Parishioners wish to continue in small groups. Of those, 11 will use the following Sunday's Gospel as their resource for sharing prayer; 5 were uncertain about whether they needed an additional resource book; 8 indicated they will use their own resource materials (Lectio Divina); and 20 requested some kind of a resource/guide.

Based on that, and at the end of some deliberation, the PPC recommended making available the ARISE resource called "Lenten Longings" to those groups who wish to use it, and then to further evaluate this question after that experience.

Re: (2) Parish (re)evangelization is integrally tied in to our post-Arise direction, and so will follow accordingly. PPC members will, however, continue to prayerfully ponder what direction God may be whispering to us in this area and bring forward whatever may be discerned. Nothing new was brought forth at this meeting, other than the discussion had under (1) above.

Re: (3) Fr. Michael gave an update of our refugee sponsorship progress, and specifically the contract that will be signed with the United Church for the use of the Rectory in Capreol for up to 3 years. For legal/insurance reasons, we had to provide for an exchange of rent based on actual market value, and this was set at \$1,000/month. In order to ensure that this rent money will be returned each month as a donation back to the Capreol-Valley Refugee Sponsorship Group, a Memorandum of Understanding will be signed by Fr. Michael, locking this in for the 3

year term of lease. In order to sign this contract, a resolution must be passed by both the PPC and the Finance Committee. The following resolution was put forward by Fr. Michael and Seconded by Marlynn Paul:

“The Parish Pastoral Council of St. Kevin’s Parish authorizes Fr. Michael to establish a binding agreement whereby all the monthly rent payments received from Holy Trinity Church, under the terms of the contract established with them for the leasing of the Rectory there, be returned to them as a monthly donation.”

This motion was passed unanimously.

Re: (4) A Parishioner inquired about the possibility of moving the Saturday Mass to an earlier time. The PPC unanimously voiced their opposition to any such change and recommended we maintain the current schedule unless this request is brought forward by a significant cohort of Parishioners.

Re: (5) With the conclusion of Arise, Fr. Michael asked if we should stop praying completely before Mass or replace the Arise prayer with some other prayer. After some discussion, the PPC put forward their strong recommendation to keep praying the Arise prayer as we have been doing. Their recommendation will be followed.

Re: (6) The terms of three members have come up, and we have been one member short from the St. Kevin Site for the past year. With the option of renewal, both Bob Johnson and Romaine Chappell chose to renew their participation with the PPC for 3 more years. Marina Lamoureux chose not to renew. That leaves us with two openings for the St. Kevin Site. Nominations will be opened for interested Parishioners.

Our next meeting date is scheduled for Wednesday, January 27th at 7pm in the Board Room of our St. Kevin Site.