

All Saints Pastoral Council Minutes
April 12, 2016

Council Members: Shannon Eggelston, Karin Seubert, Linda Basilico, Alyse Cadez, Bill Neumayer, Bill Steiner, Fr. Brad Neely

Opening prayer: The council prayed in unison to open the meeting.

• **Approval of Minutes**

Minutes from the March 16, 2016 meeting were reviewed, and approved by email prior to the meeting, and have been posted to the website.

• **School Report-Denise Hammrich by Karin Seubert :**

April 15-No School, Parent/Teacher Conference

April 19-Preschool Cupcake Social from 6:00-7:00 pm

May 12-ASCS Spring Concert @ 7:00 pm at LHS in the Auditorium

May 20-Strive to Drive drawing and barbecue at Fr. Purdie field

Bishop Peter has recorded a radio spot that will run in each community in Idaho where there is a Catholic school...for us the ads will be on The Outlaw 106.9. He is encouraging each community to visit the Catholic school and consider enrolling their children.

Latest on the school building project is the feedback has been very positive.

There is a proposed contract to draw up the building plans. Fr. Brad is reviewing at this time, if found in order he will forward to the diocese for approval.

ASCS have secured a contract with Adriane Smith to act as a capital fundraiser. She will be perusing grants, corporations, businesses and large donors to secure further funding for the building of the school.

When asked about the grade range of the school Karin responded the school is designed to be pre-k to 6th at this time, with the possibility of going to 8th grade if the high school plans to build or redesign include 9th grade.

• **Parish Administrator-Sarah Schumaker:**

No Report. Administrator is on leave.

• **Pastors Report-Fr. Brad Neely:**

Progress is being make to reinvigorate the Cursillo Movement in this area. The regional director for Cursillo is helping to guide the process to reemerge the movement. The feedback he is getting is that the movement has proven to be a critical component in the life of the local parish. Fr. Brad has agreed to be the spiritual director for this areas movement. He will be attending a weekend event 4/15-17 in Walla Walla. The national coordinator will be there. This is a slow process, may be a good basis for there being a desire for it to go forward and hopefully becoming vibrant once again in this area. Cursillo was briefly explained. This is good news for All Saints.

Noel Hardin has submitted his letter of resignation from the pastoral council to Fr. Brad Neely. His resignation is due to his intense work schedule. Fr. Neely asked if he would need to be replaced.

Bill Neumayer reminded those present there are no by laws in place yet, so the number of members on the All Saints council has not been officially solidified.

As far as Fr. Neely is aware Holy Week and the Easter celebrations went well. Several of the improvements implemented this year were received positively. Shannon commented it was a physically interactive week and that was wonderful.

Several significant celebrations are coming up: Confirmation April 21st; Fr. Joe Schmidt's 50th Ordination Anniversary May 14th, First Holy Communion May 15th; John Kucera's transitional diaconate ordination May 25th;

Fr. Shiyo took a trip in the fall of 2014 to attend the elevation of a class mate to the office of Bishop. His classmate, Bishop Joseph Mlola, will be visiting All Saints April 14th.

Fr. Neely was asked if there are any plans for a retirement party for DRE, Shelley Dyer. He responded he was sure there will be something but it hasn't been planned yet. Those plans will be made when the parish administrator returns from maternity leave.

- **Parochial Vicar Report-Fr. Evarist Shiyo:**

No report

- **Report on Columbarium-Bill Neumayer:**

Bill expressed his thanks to all who helped in the Narthex last weekend. He thinks overall the reaction is positive. Alyse reflected she has found the word columbarium was unfamiliar to many people. Developing a particular way of explaining "columbarium" was explored. The question of how future pavers are located was discussed.

A preliminary discussion of how niches will be sold was explored. The choice is either a 12 x 12 or 24 x 24 niche. Further discussion of the capacity and urn sizes were debated. Bill Neumayer will talk to Dennis Hastings at Vassar Rawls for further information. Interest surveys should be returned by May 1st. Once everyone has submitted their completed surveys the council will be able to access the projects viability.

Commitments for being in the narthex after masses the next two weekends were sought. Bill Neumayer will follow up with members who were not at the meeting to cover the remaining times.

Other Business:

Council terms and rotation of members has never been firmly established. The need for the council to draft by laws was reiterated. Fr. Neely has several sets the council can look at for reference. He will make those available for the council.

Bill Neumayer brought to the council's attention we have a certain population of folks without children who attend Mass and sit in the cry rooms. This is discouraging/causing an uncomfortable atmosphere for parents with a young noisy or upset child.

Another member relayed an experience of taking her young noisy child to the cry room and was asked by a person with a sound sensitivity them to leave the cry room.

New Business:

Alyse stated Lent was very good this year. The services, stations of the cross, and music were enriching. Alyse felt she wanted to ask the council what we could do as corporal works of mercy during this jubilee year. She would like to have suggestions or specific ideas. Members were asked to contemplate this concept and come with suggestions to the next meeting. This will be on the agenda next month. It is the vision this would come from the council that this would be something very important. Some kind of challenge or awareness and recognition of what is done would be and can be done is the vision. Bring more awareness to the parish of corporal works of mercy. Linda would like to see this focus start next month. Linda stated she feels the Lent Project was successful because it told people specific focus groups and donation items.

No monthly update for May was scheduled at this time. Date and items for presentation will be determined after columbarium survey is completed and tallied.

- **Schedule Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the council will be May 11, 2016. Fr. Brad will be on vacation.

Closing Prayer:

The council prayed the opening prayer once again and Fr. Brad offered a blessing upon those present.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Estes