

Holy Redeemer by the Sea Catholic Church
Pastoral Council Meeting
March 7, 2017

Minutes Approved May 9, 2017

Present: Father Bill Walsh, osfs, Father John Hanley, osfs, Miguel Rodrigues, Val Cummings, Emily DiNoto, Joan Fordham, Barbara Getchell, Tim Gregory, Patti Hess, Don Kelly, Matt McKenna, Jon O'Neil, Adrienne Palma, Jane Parker, Susan Pope, Marian Sciacchitano

Absent: Kris Felthousen, Grace Ghirardi, Jim Groff, Ismael Ramos Lara, Norm St. Laurent

Recorder: Judy Gach

Opening Prayer: Father Bill 5:15 p.m.

Minutes:

Adrienne Palma moved the minutes from the January 10, 2017, Pastoral Council Meeting be approved. Jon O'Neil seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Pastoral Plan Updates Goals 4-7

Goal 4: Promote Vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life

- Father John is Pastoral Council Liaison for this team. Three other people are also working with him. They are meeting March 13, 2017.

Goal 5: Implement the Pastoral Initiative on Marriage and Support of Family Life

- Matt McKenna is Pastoral Council Liaison for this team. He had no new news to share but does have names of interested people to serve with him.

Goal 6: Practice the Effective Stewardship of Resources

- Jon O'Neil is Pastoral Council Liaison for this team and is in the process of organizing the group.

Goal 7: Plan for the Effective Management of Growth

- Jim Groff is Pastoral Council Liaison for this team.

Other Pastoral Plan Goal Updates

Focus on Faith Formation and Sacramental Practice

- Grace Ghirardi is the Pastoral Council Liaison for this team. Emily DiNoto reported that the last Wine and Wisdom was very successful with 17 attendees. The next Wine

and Wisdom will be held March 20, 2017, at 6:30 p.m. at Kelly's Restaurant in Nags Head. Prayer will be the discussion topic.

Acoustical Evaluation

- An evaluation of the acoustics at Holy Redeemer by the Sea Catholic Church is currently taking place to determine what can be done to improve the clarity of the sound. Necessary changes will be considered after the evaluation and recommendations are received.

Ministry Fair and Pastoral Plan Recruiting

- Marian Sciacchitano shared plans for the Ministry Fair which will also include opportunities for recruiting parishioners to help with Pastoral Plan Goals. The fair will be held Saturday, May 20 after the 5 p.m. Mass and Sunday, May 21 after the 9 a.m. Mass at Holy Redeemer by the Sea Catholic Church. Emails will be sent to Pastoral Council Goal Liaisons informing them of this opportunity.

LAMB Funds

- Jon O'Neil shared that the Knights of Columbus have supported Dare and Currituck County Schools to the tune of \$400,000 over the years as well as supporting Special Olympics. This was done by selling Tootsie Rolls outside local grocery stores and businesses. The challenge is that now the stores are limiting access and the opportunities to do these sales have decreased.
- The Knights of Columbus are considering other ideas for parish fundraisers such as a vacation week raffle for an off-season week at the beach. This fundraiser could be a joint effort between the parish and the Knights of Columbus with tickets being sold after Masses during the summer.
- Another consideration is a car raffle, possibly within the district.

Plant Updates: Security Cameras and Outside Lighting

- Tim Gregory shared that 8 security cameras have been installed in and around the church. These cameras can record for 30 days and remote computer access is available to view camera footage and live feed. Security cameras will also be installed at Holy Trinity by the Sea Catholic Chapel eventually.
- New poles and LED lighting are being installed in the parking lot at Holy Redeemer by the Sea Catholic Church.

Comments from the floor:

- The Mission Trip to DeSales Service Works in Camden, NJ, for high school students is planned for July 10-14, 2017. The cost is \$50.00 for the week. In order to increase participation, other students from the deanery will be invited.
- There were 31 students at the Deanery Confirmation Retreat with 10 being from Holy Redeemer by the Sea Catholic Church.
- Reverend Robert Ippolito of the Catholic Charities Immigration Services in Raleigh will be on the Outer Banks March 21 and 22 for free consultations.

- Miguel Rodrigues shared that the Latino community is having meetings every Wednesday evening at Holy Trinity by the Sea Chapel. He makes sure that everything is clean when they are finished.

Father Bill's comments:

- Father Bill commended Miguel for all of his efforts with the Hispanic community at Holy Trinity by the Sea Catholic Chapel and at Our Lady of the Seas in Buxton. Attendance is growing! Gifted musicians add to the Mass.
- Father Bill continues to be grateful for his exceptional staff and for the ownership parishioners are taking to make our parish a special place. Visitors continue to be impressed with our parish community. The Provincial sees how gifted we are with staff, commissions, and all that we do.
- The Lenten Mission begins next week with Father Sandy Pocetto, osfs. Topics include "Exploring Self-Acceptance, Not Self-Esteem, as a Basic Principle of Salesian Spirituality," "Getting Love Right," and a Penance Service. The gatherings are Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, March 12-14, at 7 p.m. at Holy Redeemer by the Sea Catholic Church.
- The Red Cross Blood Drive had their best participation ever on February 22, 2017, with 128 units collected.

Next meeting:

- Tuesday, May 9, 2017, 5:15 p.m.

Closing Prayer: Father Bill 6:12 p.m.