

Pastoral Council meeting
2/20/18

Present:

Fr. Auggie, Fr. Mike, Angela Geekie, Sharon Farley, Liz Genco, Donna Crone, Beth Mitchell (ex-officio member Shrine rep), Carla Cook, Sandra Douglass, Michael Berry, Jack Byrne, Randy Witt

Angela Geekie and Fr. Auggie welcomed the new council members that had been unable to attend the Jan 2018 council meeting (Michael Berry and Randy Witt). Roles and purpose of the council was discussed and a copy of the council by-laws were provided.

Old Business:

- How do we “count” our members? **Action item pending** – Fr. Auggie will work with Lori and Mary Pat (new business manager) to determining how to best use our online systems.
No new update
- Stewardship - No update
- Ministries coordinator - No update. **Action item pending** - “Job description” development by Dick Wagger

New Business:

- Fr. Auggie updated the council on the Ash Wednesday shrimp boil. This was very successfully organized and managed by Craig Cardwell. The event resulted in a surplus of \$150 that will be used for future events. **Point for consideration:** Angela Geekie would like the council/parish to consider doing either a Fish Fry or Shrimp Boil more frequently during Lent 2019. These could be advertised (as the Lenten Series and Waffle Shop) and could reach many of the downtown workers as well as offer an opportunity for evangelization and show we are a part of the downtown community
- The noise level in the church prior to mass at both the Saturday vigil (5:00 pm mass) and 8:30 am Sunday. This was discussed with the group and several recommendations were made including:
 - Signage posted in the vestibule reminding attendees that this is a “sacred space...”
 - Moving the ushers to greet attendees outside of the church (front steps or where Fr. Mike and Fr. Auggie stand before mass) - this could assist in keeping discussions to a minimum
 - Fr. Auggie bringing this to the attention of parishioners as part of homily or during the “welcome of visitors” prior to the final blessing.**Action Item:** Fr. Auggie will approach the usher and ask them to monitor the noise level prior to masses. This topic will be re-visited at the next meeting to evaluate if additional intervention is needed
- Upcoming Events:
 - March 6th - The play “Tolton From Slave to Priest” is being held at the Cannon Center and is sponsored by the diocese.
 - April 4th - St. Peter and the St. Martin De Porres Shrine will host a day of prayer and reflection. This will include morning prayer, confessions, the Rosary at 1:00 pm, followed

by celebrated by Bishop Holley. There will then be a procession to the Civil Rights Museum . The theme of the day is “From Martin through Martin to Martin”.

- Our Lady Queen of Peace Retreat Center will host all of the Dominicans from the Southern Provence for the annual.....
- May 5 & 6 - Ordinary Lives Extraordinary Mission parish mission with Dr. John Wood will be held at St. Peter. Fr. Mike has agreed that a morning mass can be offered prior to the event. Details for the day are being finalized. Dr. Wood will also be providing the Adult Faith Formation talk between the Sunday morning masses on Sunday May 6th. This will be a stand alone talk. Registration will open March 1st.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday March 13th.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm