

**Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, April 4, 2019**  
**7:00 pm**  
**Church Office**

**Parish Pastoral Council Members**

COMMISSION MEMBERS						
Term Expires	Christian Education Commission		Social Concerns Commission		Worship and Spiritual Commission	
<b>Apr. 2019</b>	Eddie Hoff	X	John Kempf		Dave Joynt	X
<b>Apr. 2020</b>	Kristi Widmer	X	Logan Comegys	x	Brian Lutz	X
<b>Apr. 2021</b>	Kathryn Schuster	X	Marilyn Vanderfeltz	x	Lillian Oswald	X
OTHER MEMBERS						
Fr. Bill Peckman			X			
Theresa Krebs, Director of Religious Education			X			
Alan Lammers, Principal						
Tyler Schuster, Youth Representative						
Gabi Webster, Youth Representative						

1. Call to Order – Called to order at 7:01 pm
2. Opening Prayer – Our Father, led by Brian
3. Approval of minutes from 3/7/2019 with adjustments made to correct date. Dave moved to approve the minutes with date correction, seconded and approved.
4. Finance council report – 30K-50K shortfall expected this year. Trust funds are diminishing and won't be there to rely on in the future. Less funds available.
  - a. Need new updated documents from diocese to show that budget is no longer given to Parish Council for review.
5. Principal's Report – not submitted in advance
6. Commission Reports
7. Director of Religious Education Report – Submitted in advance by Theresa Krebs and included below. Highlights:
  - a. PSR – some teachers not coming back next year. (2<sup>nd</sup> grade and 5<sup>th</sup> grade). Need new recruits
  - b. Totus Tuus – registration on Friday with \$5 registration fee.
  - c. Formed.org – feature this week Behind the Scenes from UNPLANNED movie.
  - d. Tolton cleanup crew on April 15. 15 kids to do some work and do Spring Cleaning at church and maybe the cemetery. 9am – 1pm.
  - e. Confirmation going well. About 80 people.
  - f. 29 kids to Steubenville, Garret Lammers has applied for LEAD
  - g. 12-13 to NCYC
  - h. Jackson Dorson going to Notre Dame Camp
8. Old Business – Parish Elections – May need to postpone until full slate of candidates for Spiritual and Worship Commission.
9. New Business
  - a. Parish Vitality Meeting – Nancy Harris will be leading this effort as director of the program with Rich Curran. Tuesday, April 9 at 6:30pm
  - b. Mass Time Change Proposal – Recommendation of Liturgy committee: 5:30 pm SSPP Saturday, 8:30 at Fayette and 10:30 SSPP Sunday, effective date June 1<sup>st</sup>. and pending further conversations with other parties. Suggestion to consider flipping Sunday Masses every 6 months between St. Joseph's and SsPP.
    - i. Kristi moved to accept the Liturgy Committee recommendations as is. Seconded by Eddie. Approved.
    - ii. Father is open to changing down the road.

10. Pastor's Report -
  - a. Rectory open house was held and well attended.
  - b. Low-gluten hosts now available. See Father before Mass, host will be held in a pyx to prevent cross contamination. Recommend that Father mention at Mass to describe process and purpose.
  - c. Blessing for new members weekend June 1/2<sup>nd</sup> or as Father determines.
11. Next Meeting: Thursday, June 6, 2019, 6:30 pm at Church Hall. Start with Potluck meal to welcome new members.
12. Closing Prayer: Glory Be led by Fr. Bill.
13. Adjournment: 7:58 pm.

April 4, 2019 DRE Report

Submitted by Theresa Krebs, DRE/YM

#### 1) Current Classes

- a) **PSR:** This is our first year meeting on Wednesdays. We have 32 students enrolled: six in K/1<sup>st</sup>; four in 2<sup>nd</sup>; six in 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>; seven in 5<sup>th</sup>; five in 6<sup>th</sup>; three in 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> and one who is homeschooled. We are off next week for Spring Break but still hope to get the kids to Stations of the Cross during March. The First Communion Retreat is Saturday, April 13 from 1-3 p.m. We hope to have some Confirmation students helping. We will need to new teachers for the 2019-20 school year. Linda Grissum is stepping down after teaching second grade for 8-plus years and the team of Monna Schuster/Kim Wolfe/Stephanie Schuster is stepping down after teaching (currently fifth grade) for six years.
- b) **Freshmen Classes:**
  - i) The boys group is studied the Father Kapaun Virtue Series that is on Formed.org. It was seven sessions long. If the group chooses to, they can continue with the Beatitude Series and Stewardship Series. The leaders are Bradley Nave, Steve Teson & Richard Woodson. They are met in the Rectory. This session is now complete. The leaders plan to continue with the series in the fall.
  - ii) The girls group is taking their curriculum from the YDisciple program on Formed.org. The first program they are studying is "Follow Me." It is five sessions long. YDisciple has a year-long curriculum so they have lots of options going forward. The leaders are Sally Gaines, Mariah Smith and Jennifer Spears. This group is meeting in the sixth grade classroom. This group will finish this month.
- c) **Confirmation:** We have 50+ students who are sophomores and juniors, from SSPP and St. Joseph. They would then get confirmed in the fall of their junior (senior) year on Monday, November 18. Most are meeting alternate Sunday mornings at 8:45 a.m. at SSPP with leaders: Bradley & Elizabeth Atkinson, Linda Runnebaum & Connie Lee. Kris Stodgel is meeting with a group at St. Joseph, Fayette following their 9:15 a.m. Mass, following the same schedule. Those unable to attend on Sunday morning, are able to contact Kristi Widmer for a Wednesday evening make-up session. We are asking \$15 to cover the cost of the books and the Bibles.
- d) **RCIA:** We have six candidates, one catechumen and one inquirer in RCIA. March 10 was the parish Rite of Sending and the Rite of Election at the Cathedral.
- e) **RCIC:** We have a fifth grade catechumen in RCIC, being instructed by Janet Joynt.

#### 2) Sacraments & Liturgical Seasons

- a) **Baptisms:** We several children that will be baptized at the Easter Vigil with their parents.
- b) **Confirmation:** Confirmation is set for Monday, Nov. 18 at 7 p.m. The leaders are Elizabeth & Brad Atkinson, Kristi Widmer, and Linda Runnebaum. We've recruited some assistants: Connie Lee and Patty Oerly. We are using the Dynamic Catholic program. Class started March 10 and go through May; we take a break over the summer and reconvene in September. The diocese is not having a Vocation Reflection Day Retreat this year. A new component this year: we're asking students to consider attending a Catholic retreat or camp. A plan to offer scholarships is being formulated. We also hope to incorporate some fellowship activities over the summer.  
I recently attended a meeting in Jefferson City where we were presented with the 3-year plan to restructure Confirmation. By the 2022-23 school year, children will be confirmed in seventh grade.
- c) **Marriages:** Deacon Dave has assumed the responsibility for marriage prep. We have four weddings scheduled.
- d) **First Reconciliation:** Wednesday, Nov. 14 at 6 p.m. In addition to the four PSR students, we had 13 from the second grade class.
- e) **Lent:** We are offered CRS rice bowls to the parish, in coordination with the Lent Committee at school. Our Penance Service was Thursday, March 28 at 7 p.m. Deacon Dave will lead Stations on the Cross at 7 p.m. on Fridays during Lent, and at 12 noon on Good Friday. The students will lead Stations at 2:15 on March 15, March 29, and April 12. We will have basket to collect Rice Bowls at the Easter Masses.
- f) **Holy Week**

- i) **Holy Thursday:** Mass at 7 p.m. with Adoration from 8-10 p.m.
  - ii) **Good Friday:** Stations of the Cross at 12 noon; 6 p.m. Good Friday Liturgy at Fayette
  - iii) **Holy Saturday:** The Vigil time will be 8:30 p.m. The RCIC Reception will follow.
  - iv) **Easter Sunday:** Masses may stay at 7:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.
- g) **First Communion:** Divine Mercy Sunday, April 28 at 11 a.m. The First Communion Retreat is Saturday, April 13.
- 3) Other education/programs
- a) **Virtues** classes at SSPP: I meet monthly with each classroom to teach a Saint and Virtue of the Month. This year's focus is the virtue of Charity. This month, students school-wide are studying the Virtue of Forgiveness.
  - b) **Totus Tuus:** We are confirmed for the week of July 7-12, 2019. Registration forms were sent home in the Friday folders last week. They were also distributed to PSR, Confirmation, the high school groups, sent to St. Joseph, posted on the website & on social media and noted in the bulletin. This year, we are charging a registration fee of \$5 per student.
  - c) **Formed.org:** "Pick of the Week" in the bulletin each Sunday and on Facebook. For the last month, our parish Engagement Ranking, as compared to all Formed parishes worldwide with data normalized before ranking (using actual number of registered users in each parish) to eliminate parish size bias, is:
    - i) Visits (any time one of our registered users accessed the site): 55% among all parishes, with 276 visits from March 1 to April 2.
    - ii) Events (Any user interaction with a video, audio, e-book, study guide, or share button.): 52% among all parishes
    - iii) Minutes (Sum of video and audio minutes played.): 32% among all parishes
    - iv) Top Audio: How to Keep Your Kids Catholic
    - v) This week's feature is: "Behind the Scenes," an inside look at Unplanned, the inspiring true story of Abby Johnson's journey from a Planned Parenthood clinic director to pro-life activist and mother of eight.
- 4) Youth Ministry/Fellowship
- a) **Juvies 4 Jesus** (Brian & Trish Lutz): Grades 8-12, meets Sunday nights at 7:30 in the p/o basement.
  - b) **God Squad** (Brent & Janelle Drummond, Jesse & Kelly Rohrbach), grades 6 and 7: meets the third Sunday of the month from 6-7 p.m. in the p/o basement. The next meeting will be in April.
  - c) **NCYC** We have 13 students signed up to attend the conference which is Nov. 21-23 in Indianapolis. They earn money by providing the desserts at the KofC fish fries.
  - d) **Steubenville:** We have 29 students (20 girls and 9 boys) signed-up to attend the Steubenville Conference, July 19-21 at MSU in Springfield. We will be staying off-campus in a hotel a little over a mile away. A good portion of the hotel cost will be funded by the students' work at the fish fries.
- 5) Community Outreach
- a) Friday, April 5, 5-6:30 p.m. at WK Auto: members of the Confirmation Class will be serving a pasta meal to those participating in the YMCA's "Do or Die" half marathon. Free will donations will be accepted. We're planning to split the revenue between the Confirmation Banquet and the Camp Scholarship Fund.
  - b) Saturday, April 6, 7 a.m. -12noon-ish: Members of the Confirmation Class will be manning a water station for the marathon, along the Katy Trail in New Franklin.
  - c) Sunday, April 7, 2 p.m.: We are having a "painting party" in the church hall with Margie Brimer. The purpose is to raise funds for student scholarships to attend Catholic retreats/camps. Margie will donate a percentage of the proceeds to our scholarship fund. This will be held in the church hall and will be open to anyone in the community.
  - d) Sunday, April 28, 12 noon-ish: We are making plans for members of the Confirmation Class to host a banquet for the families the students making their First Communion. Everyone in the parish will be invited to attend.
- 6) Other Events:
- a) KofC Fish Fries are scheduled for April 5 and April 12
  - b) The Chrism Mass is Thursday, April 11, 5:30 p.m., St. Joseph Cathedral. Everyone is invited.
  - c) The SSPP 5<sup>th</sup> grade class is hosting a Trivia Night fundraiser Saturday, April 13 at 6:30 p.m. in the church hall.
  - d) Amanda Lutz is bringing a group of 15 Tolton students to SSPP for their day of service. We will be planning activities for them from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Monday, April 15.
  - e) Rice Bowls will be collected at the Easter Masses.
  - f) Reboot! With Chris Stefanick will be hosted at the Cathedral, Wednesday, May 1, 7-9:30 p.m. Some confirmation students are attending. We still have eight tickets available. (We purchased a block of 15.) Tickets are \$25.
- 7) I serve on the Tolton Advisory Board and on the Faith Committee. Please pass on to me any ideas that you feel would be helpful for building their school community.