



## Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Minutes – October 24, 2017

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**Attendees:** Msgr Tony, Father Joe, Rick Schrader (Chair), Brett Haworth (Vice-Chair), Renee Lange (Secretary) **Finance Rep:** Greg White

### **Commission Representatives present:**

Faith-in-Action: Jane Youngman  
Parish Life: Brett Haworth  
Formation: Laura Sheehan, Donna Williams  
School: Dean Beer  
Worship: Chris LaRosa, Rick Schrader, Renee Lange

**Welcome** – Rick Schrader, Chair

### **Approve PPC Minutes**

Motion made to approve meeting Minutes of September 27, 2017. All were in favor.

**Finance Report** – Renee distributed copies of the Finance Report, prepared by Meg Horcher, Director of Finance and Operations. The Report was read by Greg White, Finance Rep, and discussed by all present.

### **Msgr. Tony Report**

- Msgr attended a meeting where the possibility of re-starting *Christ Renews His Parish* at St. Barnabas was discussed:
  - Meeting with (2) Deacons and their wives
  - St. Jude is offering CRHP again
  - Part of our Strategic Plan
  - CRHP being redone by Matthew Kelly - new program to be called “Welcome”
  - SS Francis and Clare parish started a pilot program for “Welcome”
  - Not able to get manuals now
  - See how the pilot program goes; we may start “Welcome” in (1) year - Msgr wants to see what “Welcome” is about before starting
  - Nothing is being released until the pilot program is done
  
- Msgr discussed the addition planned for Roncalli HS:
  - 2,000 seat Gym and Family Room
  - Total of \$6,490,000 needed – Roncalli hopes to get 7.5 million dollars
  - \$102,525 wanted from St. Barnabas – based on a % total of Sunday and Holy Day collections – to be budgeted over 5 years
  - Msgr considering asking Meg to have this formula looked at again; otherwise, we beginning payments in July

**Update on Family Fun Dinner - Dates scheduled** – Brett Haworth

- \* We are “ready to go” for the dinner! Talent Show begins at 7:00pm – no “adult talent” ... 10 - 15 middle school talent acts
- \* Ministry Fair scheduled for 4/22/18
- \* Parish Picnic will be scheduled on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after school starts - 2018

### **Commission Summaries**

A summary of each Commission’s monthly meeting was presented by the Commission representative present at this meeting. The summaries were submitted in writing. Renee will email them out to all Parish Council, file them with the meeting minutes, and send to Carol Elias for posting on the website.

\* Faith-in-Action Commission - no meeting this month

### **Open Forum – Positive Comments from Parishioners and Needs of our Parish**

- Follow-up to last month’s information from Jane: this gentleman is now attending RCIA! (*Sept meeting*) Jane Youngman said she spoke to a man attending 5:00pm Mass – he was not Catholic; however, he comes to St. Barnabas for church service. She asked him to return ... to “come back” to our church!
- Rick Schrader visits the Cathedral Soup Kitchen weekly. St. Barnabas has been supplying coffee and sugar to the Kitchen, which is very much appreciated. A lady who works there (Margie) says the “coffee goes quickly”!

**Msgr Tony led the Closing Prayer and Blessing – Meeting ended at 7:38pm**

Next Parish Council Meeting is [November 28, 2017, 6:30pm](#), in the **Church Meeting Room**.

On October 19 the **WORSHIP COMMISSION** met. Present for the meeting were Renee Lange, Francesca and Chris LaRosa.

We discussed whether we needed to install kneelers for the last rows in the back of church. We decided we would ask those parishioners who sit in those seats at the Saturday evening mass and make a decision after talking to those individuals. We also discussed putting more chairs in the back for the Saturday evening mass, as there are several elderly individuals at that mass who like to use those chairs. We talked about having a family adoration night in November and December. We would like to include a family Rosary in that event.

We continue to talk about installing Stain Glass windows in the church.

We would like to improve the sound system and have contacted the company who originally installed it. We are having difficulty contacting that company.

We are using new letters on the music board in the church. We were deciding whether or not the colors are effective.

We would like to have a Christmas concert on December 10.

We talked about ways to improve upon our Thanksgiving and All Souls Day masses.

We considered having an appreciation event for our other ministries as we did for the lector ministry.

## **FORMATION COMMISSION MEETING**

October 16, 2017 at 6:30 pm

### 2 Minute Summary

- Opening Prayer – decade of the Rosary
- Coffee and donuts: There are still some openings to serve in November and December.
- Book study: One last session of the Mother Theresa book study. The Mother Angelica book study will begin in January and continue to be on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday evening. Plan to publicize via a flyer and announcement at the women's retreat.
- Women's Retreat: about 40 people signed up as of now so still about 15 spots remaining.
- Adult Faith Formation updates: For men, still no facilitator for a group other than CRHP, but some individuals are interested if CRHP resumes. For women, there is 1 person who may be interested in facilitating and ENDOW group which would meet once a week or every other week for 8-10 weeks for about an hour.
- RCIA: Have had the inquiry session and first class with 9 people participating every Wednesday from 6:30- 8pm. They use Symbolon for the content and have had some great discussions about Catholicism already. Very curious group!
- Annual Report: Discussed the email from Meg about what the annual report should be and provided input on what should be included. Laura will assemble report and send out to the commission for proofreading and content editing before submitting to Carol on 10/30.
- For the good of the order? Jessica briefly updated us on the strategic planning in regards to the facilities planning team with the possibility of considering a parish life center and looking at other parishes who have one to see what might be possible and realistic for St. Barnabas.
  - Also, (but unrelated) St. Mark will be hosting the tri-parish mission this year during Lent.
- Next meeting date: Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the Church Meeting Room
- Closing Prayer- Monsignor

## **School Commission Update - Meeting October 2, 2017**

**Present:** Carissa Maddox, Dean Beer, Tracy Daeger, Mike Coffman, Nadine Najjar, Kristen Dial, Christine Woodruff, Mindy Waugh.

### **Strategic Planning Update:**

- Focus Groups: 22 people answered 4 Questions:
  1. What are the best things about St. Barnabas?
  2. What would you like to see improved?
  3. How do we get more people involved?
  4. How can we continue to be a thriving Catholic School?
- A survey will be sent out soon to help get more information and feedback and all the information will be pulled together to draft a Strategic Plan

### **School Improvement Plan 2017-2020**

- Catholic Identity Goal
- Academic Excellence Goal 1.
- Academic Excellence Goal 2.
- Institutional Goal

### **Working on keeping Stewardship alive at St. B**

#### **Space Steering Committee**

- Discussion of the capacity and space at St. B

#### **We Celebrate!**

- Raised over \$4000 at walk-a-thon
- Focus on poverty in Indianapolis
- New Staff- Sped Assistant, ENL assistant & Grade 1
- Great ISTEP Scores !!!

#### **PTO**

- Chick-Fil-A Raised a bunch!
- PTO was able to give teachers money for supplies
- Working on supporting STEM
- Spirit wear is great this year

#### **Dinner for Warriors**

- We have a Chair, Co Chair, a person for the setup and decorations, and we have Chef Miller again.

### **PARISH LIFE**

Below are the minutes from our last meeting. Remember, our next meeting is on November 7, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. This meeting will be at the Church.

- Finalized plans for Fall Dinner

- Chili and pork are ordered.
- Will confirm FireHouse Subs with Patti at Parish Council on October 24
- Ordering Pizza this week, trying to get free delivery
- Kroger is donating buns
- We will set up around 1 pm (update: there is apparently a funeral meal in the Hall now, so we cannot get in there until after that's over).
- Carol is getting a yard sign, and ask for announcement at Mass.
- Nick Vivaldi is going to emcee Talent Show
- We are getting drinks. All condiments and chips were ordered through school. Decided to order some applesauce and carrots for a more well balanced meal.
- Still looking for volunteers to set up, tear down, work during dinner.
- Talent Show
  - All acts signed up are in middle school. Opening up to the 5th graders. No adults signed up. Plan to brainstorm how to get some adult talent to sign up.
  - Dr. LaRosa will be there on Saturday to help us set up the sound equipment.
- Next year's fall dinner likely moved to Saturday before Thanksgiving. There was a fear that CYO sports and retreats are conflicting.
- Ministry Fair next year is on April 22, 2018
- Parish Picnic will likely be 1st Sunday after school starts.
- Possible new members coming to next meeting.

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