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Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
Holy Name Parish, Ketchikan, AK
20 March 2017

The Pastoral Council Meeting of March 20th, 2017 was called to order by Father Pat at 6:00 pm with an Opening Prayer

Old and New Business:

Fr. Pat reviewed his new assignment as “Diocesan Administrator (i.e., Acting Bishop) and reviewed that he was trying to schedule his other duties during the week so that he could be in Ketchikan on weekends for Holy Name. He shared his schedule with the Council.

The Life Planning Workshop with Anne Margaret Shuham was reviewed by Father Pat. He said there will be an email going out, and encouraged attendance. The rescheduled date is: Rescheduled for April 29 at 7:00 pm.

Father Pat reported that the “Coming Home” project now has a list of non-practicing Catholics compiled by staff. The list has about 60 names. The plan is to have 2 or 3 Pastoral Council members begin to contact people on the list. This will be done in May.

The Pastoral Plan was reviewed and discussed to identify potential priorities for 2017 and beyond. The reality of Father Pat’s additional duties and the lack of a second priest necessitates a hard look at establishing realistic priorities. The first 30 priorities were reviewed. The following was noted based on the numbered list in the Pastoral Plan:

1. Still Priority A, provide excellent thoughtful customer service including returning all emails received, and updating the message for each week.
2. Revised to Priority C.
3. Remain Priority B.
4. Remain Priority C. Vince in consultation with Father Pat should research and choose a faith formation series.
5. Revised to Priority A. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd has been adopted and is nearly fully implemented. More outreach is needed for Sunday School, but the School is progressing well. CGS training is scheduled for June.
6. Revised Priority A. Since all 7th and 8th graders were participating in confirmation prep classes, all were going to be confirmed. However going forward, only 8th graders will be participating in confirmation prep classes. 7th graders participate in Life Teen.
7. Remain Priority A.

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15. Revise to Priority A. More outreach ministry is needed to parishioners. USCCB daily readings was suggested perhaps via email. Workshop Topic for Vince for Adult Catechesis is needed, perhaps not "Apologetics". US Catholic Catechism for Adults, see if any audio visual is available.
16. Remain Priority C.
17. Remain Priority A.
18. Remain Priority B.
19. Remain Priority A.
20. Revise to Priority A. Must prioritize sacramental Preparation for the DRE/YM.
21. Remain Priority A/B.
22. Revise to Priority A.
23. Revise to Priority B. Father Pat to talk to Margie. PH chaplain is very open to making strides toward more faith based initiatives. Goal is to have a chapel back instead of a "quiet room"
26. Remain priority B.
27. Remain priority A/B.
28. Remain Priority A.
29. Priority A. Father Pat said that parish staff & selected parishioners will undertake a review of parish records to begin the process of determining membership. An actual "census taker" going door to door will not be necessary.
30. Remain priority N/A.

Standing Items: Fr. Pat

Father Pat discussed that we are fortunate that enrollment allows the potential to split 1st and 2nd grades. Other job postings include additional help in the pre-school because of it going to full time, and a CGS aid. Nicole Miller continues to do an outstanding job. acancies – Fr. Pat

Vince Marcantonio gave an update on activities related to the Religious Education program.

Mark Hilson gave a Financial Council update that included where we stand with weekly collections – the church's biggest source of revenue. Weekly collections are estimated to be off by approximately \$16,000.

Meeting was adjourned with a closing prayer at approximately 8:00pm.