

Pastoral Council Meeting August 3, 2015
Minutes

Present:

Members: Marilyn Rodriguez, Cathy Burleson, Betty Chrestenson, David Neu, Rita O'Neil, Ruth Licitra, and Matt Rich.

Staff: Fr. Ed Hislop, Judy Cooney, and Sr. Mary Jo Quinn.

Prelude: Pictures were to be taken of Council members at this meeting. **Will be taken at the September meeting.**

1. Gathering: Sr. Mary Jo led the Council in prayer.

2. Additions to the Agenda: There were no additions to the Agenda.

3. Appointments to Committees:

Finance Council: **Betty Chrestenson** has accepted the nomination to be the Pastoral Council Representative to the Finance Council. She attended a recent Finance Council meeting. Her acceptance has been affirmed by the Pastoral Council.

Council Groves: **Carol Kraft** has the nomination for Blessed Trinity Representative to the Council Groves Board of Directors. She has attended a recent Council Groves Board Meeting and been on a tour of the Council Groves facility. Her acceptance was affirmed by the Pastoral Council.

4. Updates on Building and Grounds Improvements:

Heating and Air Conditioning: The new furnaces have been installed. Air conditioning units have been installed in Fr. Ed's house, the Social Hall and the Offices. Replacement of the air conditioning units in the Liturgy Space has been left until last, to be completed next week.

Lighting: Fr. Ed received an invoice for the cost of the Lighting Design from the Lighting Engineer recommended.

Parking Lot: The parking lot will be finished in the near future. It needs to be restriped, the curbs painted, the Accessible Parking signs need to be replaced, and the dips where water gathered in the recent rains need to be filled.

Strategic Planning Committee: The Strategic Planning Committee will be appointed and meet in the Fall. Strategies to gather funding for the maintenance and renewal projects to be done over the course of the next few years will be discussed. Further information will be available after discussion at the August 19th Staff meeting.

5. Workshops:

Liturgical Workshop Update: Blessed Trinity has received a \$3000 grant from the Diocesan Endowment for the Workshops. The workshops will cost \$5000 to hold, including bringing in Team RCIA. Advertising will begin in the Fall for the workshop to be held April 15 and 16, 2016. The workshop is mandatory for Diocesan Deacons.

6. Other Reports:

Faith Formation: The initial video of the Catholicism Series had 20 viewers. The second had about 10. Judy is hoping for more participants this Thursday when the topic is The Trinity.

Youth Film Series will have two sessions: August 5 to view **Blindside** and August 19 to view **We are Marshall**. There are a series of discussion questions to go with these movies.

Judy is taking two online courses through the University of Dayton on Adult Formation. She hopes to go to a John Roberto Lifelong Faith workshop.

The Pastoral Council was asked to think of Topics of the Day and pass them on to Judy.

Finance Council: The 2014-15 Blessed Trinity Financial Statement has been sent to the Diocese. Once it has been returned to Blessed Trinity, it will be posted on the website. The complete budget has already been posted on the website.

Pastoral Care: There will be additional people involved in Pastoral Care after the class has been held in the Fall.

Summer Luau: Initial income and expenses for the Luau were reported. Not all expenses have been accounted for.

Knights of Columbus: The Knights would like to host a lecture on the International Synod of the Family in November.

Family Promise: Ron and Joan Butler have stepped down from providing primary leadership for Blessed Trinity's commitment to Family Promise. Sr. Mary Jo will be sending an email to those who have participated in the Family Promise ministry over the past three years asking them to attend a meeting after the 10 am Sunday Mass.

Diocesan Bankruptcy: The Diocesan bankruptcy is over.

Photos and Pastoral Council Introductions: Photos will be taken at the September meeting. Pastoral Council members will be introduced to the Blessed Trinity community during Mass in the Fall.

7. Concluding Prayer: Rita led the Concluding Prayer.

The next Pastoral Council Meeting will be held **September 14, 2015**.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ruth Licitra
August 6, 2015