

CHRIST THE KING PASTORAL COUNCIL

Minutes

Meeting Date: Tuesday, April 12, 2016

Attending: Fr. Varghese Thoppilan, Indi Gunasekera, Brigitte Dupuis, Yvette Polak, Gabriel Resendes, Penny Zahodnik, Patti Resendes, Randy Cameron, Marie O'Reilly, Ed Boudreaux

Regrets: Donna Salo-Campbell, Horace Hackett, Ron Slate, Kathleen Blythe, Carole Johnson

1. **Meeting called to order at 7:06 PM**

2. **Opening prayer**

3. **Approval of the Agenda**

MOTION: to accept the agenda as amended. Moved and seconded.

4. **Approval of the Minutes of March 8, 2016**

MOTION: to accept the minutes as presented. Moved and seconded.

5. **Matters arising from the minutes**

A. **School board meeting:** good, well-balanced discussion; a template for renting out the hall is being worked on. A trial will be conducted in May. Details are being worked on (e.g. storage of shoes). Cost is now being discussed. It was suggested that checking with other schools/parishes that do the same might be helpful. Liabilities, costs (e.g. storage, cleaning) are being assessed. Final details will be submitted to Finance Committee for review/approval.

6. **Committee Reports**

- *Social:* remember parish breakfast (eggs benedict) on May 15th
- *Parish Maintenance:* working with parishioners to find people for projects around the church; looking into roof repairs (major contractor will be hired to repair leaks). Trying to find cost effective solutions for upgrades while still meeting code.
- *Finance:* new fiscal year budgets developed; will provide updates at next masses; banking in transition between institutions (will generate savings by reduced service charges). Committee will be setting a date for a retreat to review the audit/current status against last year.
- *Catechism:* doing a survey for current families and all parishioners about changing class time (Sat mornings, evenings or between masses on Sunday). Survey will be placed in the bulletin. Suggested that it would be beneficial to target new parishioners. May 1st first Eucharist (~10 students), May 19th confirmation (~14 students).
- *CWL:* Provincial convention is May 28-29. Supporting "12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care"; parishioners would sign up for May 4th from 10AM-10PM. CWL will pass out handouts and have a signup sheet similar to our 24 hours of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Great turnout for Development & Pease fundraiser.

7. **Update from Fr. Varghese**

- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - a few spaces still open. Two sign-up sheets have been combined and the list is now at the front of the church only.
- Parish picnic at St Boniface Cathedral still to be discussed with Bishop. Suggestion: visiting all the holy doors (book a school bus). Trappists in Holland have opened theirs all year round. Discussions ongoing.

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- Holy Week went very well; post-vigil lunch was a success.

8. Update from Chairperson

- **Thanks** - to all PPC members for attendance and participation; life of the parish depends on our commitment.
- **Pastoral visits to past parishioners** - This idea was proposed by the KoC. Some hesitation due to possibility that these past parishioners attend other parishes. Suggestions included: a letter rather than visits; an invitation to parish events. Past parishioners remain on our mailing list, unless they request to be removed.
- **“Rebuilt” book by White & Corcoran** - next meeting will be dedicated to reviewing the book; each member will share views of select chapters and present ideas arising. Read the book before the next meeting and then we will decide on a strategy for facilitating discussion. Cost of book is \$15 (to Donna).
- **Guideline for the Renewal and Growth of Parishes** - for your information only; any questions, please see the Chairperson, who will contact the Diocese if needed. All parishes are on this journey.
- **Alpha** - basic introduction and video shown at last meeting; Fr Varghese spoke to Dr Joe (Univ. Winnipeg); he won't have time to lead the team due to other commitments, but with some support would take on the role. September is the target for launching Alpha.
- **Evangelization Summit** - organizers requested someone from the parish attend (this coming weekend); Council members will be emailed for interest; it was suggested the summit may be ahead of where we are at the moment.
- **Website** - let's add pastoral news (i.e. minutes); convert to PDF and submit to Gabriel.

9. New Business

- **Renewal** - will regularly include prayer for the renewal of the church

10. Next meeting

Wednesday May 11 at 6PM.

11. Meeting adjourned 8:36 PM

12. Closing Prayer and Blessing – Fr. Varghese