

Church of the Resurrection – Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) Monthly Meeting Minutes
Aug. 10, 2022

Members Present:

Adora Gallagher ('24), Debbie Burke ('24), Alex Herrmann (Youth Representative), Thomas Johnson ('25) Pat Macquire ('25), Matt Marrison ('25), Travis Polk ('23), Katy Wyatt ('23), Christina Hefty ('24)

Pastoral Staff Present: Father Denis Kigozi, Father Anish Thomas, Brad Romantic

PFC Representative – none present

Members Absent: Tina Fesenmyer ('23), Rachel Hohman (Youth Representative), Sandra Tarullo-Jacobs ('24), Judy Wright ('23), Sandy Doty (Secretary), Al Hannum (Deanery Liaison), Thomas Bindi (Deanery Liaison)

Pastoral Staff Absent: Deacon Kevin Murrin

The meeting was in person and called to order ~ 7:05 pm

TOPIC	DISCUSSION
Opening Prayer & Intentions	Debbie
Minutes	Katy was first to motion, Travis was second, all approved, no opposed.
Reports/Updates	<p>Introductions -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">First meeting with new members, so Adora explained process and expectations. Schedule and contact information was shared with those in attendance. <p>Deanery Ministries Report –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">The group has not met this year, per communication from Al.When group does begin meeting again, Thomas Bindi has volunteered to help Al and transition to the sole Deanery Liason. <p>Youth Ministry Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Information and expectations shared with Alex <p>Evangelization Coordination Report – shared by Brad</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Lots of promotion happening right now as new studies and groups are forming to begin a couple of new series.“Rescue Project” – Fr. John Ricardo’s study is shaping up. It is going to be an 8 week study beginning in Sept and running through Nov. and is being offered Sunday afternoon and Monday evening. Meals included and the study will focus on sharing the gospel. Monday evening will include babysitting.“Walking with Purpose” group offering two different study options. Keeping

	<p>Balanced, for new study members, and Discovering our Dignity, for those already familiar with the Walking with Purpose series.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was a discussion about a Fall Harvest Party for the entire parish, and a new “First Anniversary Party” for all newly married parishioners. The discussion was around the fact that these couples attended the Marriage Preparation together, and it would be a nice way to build community. • The new social events led to a couple of related ideas being shared and discussed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Offer a new parent session for those newly baptized as a way for parents of similar aged children to meet ○ Discussion regarding adding the funeral information to the web site, as parishioners aren’t always aware of fellow parishioners passing. <p>Suggestion Box:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Someone left a lengthy email with several concerns: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concerned at the length of the rosary. They felt that too many extra prayers were being added. • The dress code has become too lax • The friendliness is not what it used to be • The homilies, masses and extra announcements are too long <p>Discussion after, Katy provided information regarding the Diocese is praying for different priests, and when Fr. Denis day was up, he received the most shares and likes of all the priests so far. It was agreed that while the sender may be upset, the majority of the parish appreciates and loves Fr. Denis.</p>
<p>Pastor Comments – Fr. Denis</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Father was very pleased with the parish picnic and deemed it a success. 2. The Bishops Annual Appeal is still going and indicated that we are at 80% of our goal. He explained that the money raised goes to the diocese, and anything over the parish goal, we get to keep, tax free. He explained that if there is any other type of fundraising, the diocese places a tax on it, so that is why so many parishes encourage the BAA and see it as a fundraiser for the parish as well. 3. Parish app is coming soon. Fr. Is very pleased with the initial trial and feels that it will make forms, communication and tracking much easier. 4. Father recently attended picnic hosted by Bishop Earl. He shared his long term plan with the priests and commented on how welcoming the diocese is. He encouraged the priests to support one another as the economic times gets harder. He also commented on Bishop Earl will possibly be re-vamping the

	<p>deanery in the future.</p> <p>5. Lastly he discussed the upcoming retreats:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Staff Retreat 8/29 – 8/31 at Oglbay b. Priest Retreat 9/11-9/17 Maria Stien
Old Business	<p>Welcome Breakfast Report – Christina</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shared that while both 9 and 11 were well attended, there were no new parishioners at the 9:00 and only one new family at the 11. • It was noted that the baptismal meeting was going on at 12:30 the same day, so many new parishioners were at the meeting in the church instead. • There was also discussion regarding having the parishioners notified sooner. • Next breakfast will be September or October, before the advent / Christmas season creates busier schedules. • There was some discussion stemming from a parishioner's comment. The idea of donut day after mass be brought back. While the parishioner wanted it after every breakfast, we realize we don't have the space available to offer every time. Brad said he would look into seeing if we could offer it monthly, with different ministries hosting. • It was also discussed about a new hospitality ministry, and the thought of having that group make the calls to welcome new members and invite them to the breakfast. <p>Parish Picnic</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adora shared the details of the food consumed and left. Food was ordered for 500 people. The order included cookies, at no added expense. The parish consumed over 550 hot dogs, with about 400 plates of food being served. Kona Ice served 198 cups. • Debbie was able to share the leftover food with two different ministries, Friends of the Homeless and First Step Recovery. The two groups shared 13 pans of Mac and Cheese, a half a tray of BBQ sandwiches and a tray of veggies. As well as 6 cakes which were donated by the Women's Group. • Notes for next year: Signage to help parishioners locate different areas / starting line. Some want the pie eating contest to come back.

New	<p>Calendar Review - Paper copy of calendar shared and reviewed by group.</p> <p>Ministry Assignment - Some months ago, it was brought up that PPC is not reaching out to the other ministries as they did in the past. To help with that process, Tina provided a list of ministries and tried to group them into 7 different areas.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After some discussion regarding the purpose of calling, and what information we hope to gain by reaching out to these volunteers, it was decided that the group and father should discern on how we can best be helpful to the ministries and to father. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ For example, the social concerns ministries already meet to discuss and collaborate, we would not want to add extra burden, if perhaps just one of the representatives could share the meeting minutes or concerns. <p>PPC Concerns – some discussions regarding the last adoration that occurred after the 11 am mass. It was suggested that Father re-teach our parish how to show reverence and respect when the adoration is occurring. There was loud socialization, conversations carried across the church, and a lack of consideration for those that were praying to our Lord.</p> <p>Katy shared the idea of hosting a Thanksgiving dinner for those that do not have a place to go on Thanksgiving.</p>
Closing Prayer	Katy

The meeting adjourned at ~ 9:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Christina Hefty

Next PPC Meeting: Sept 14 @ 7 pm Location: Ministry Center
Sept. Opening Prayer: Judy Wright
Sept. Closing Prayer: Travis Polk