St. Odilia Parish Leadership Council (PLC) Meeting Minutes – Approved 11/15/22

Council: Parish Leadership Council (PLC)								
Date: Tuesday, November 15		5, 2022 Time:		8:0	8:00 p.m.			
Chair:	Nancy Diekmann			Location: St. Mo		Monica Room	onica Room	
Meeting Participants:		Present			Preser	nt	Present	
Kat Coleman		Х	John Hunt		Х	Ana Pesina	Х	
Francisco deMeireles		Χ	Teresa Marchek		Х	Fr. Erich Rutten	Х	
Nancy Diekmann		Х	Brian McCool			Rick Storms	Х	
Joe Dodge		Х	Karime Morales		Х	Kathy Wiggin	Х	
Troy Gregory		Х	Jean Nickman		Х	Fr. Brian Zuelke	Х	
Karen Henningsen		Х	Jose Parra			Amy Etten (Recorder)	Х	

Opening Prayer – Ana Pesina

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- Welcome to Ramona Michaels, sharing information from Stewardship conference.
- Discussion on *Ignited by the Spirit* program, focused on our mission: To make Jesus Christ known and loved, and our vision: The Church on fire with the Holy Spirit.
 - Building parishioner engagement through the promotion of upcoming events, offering more small group faith building events.
 - o Enhancing our 'Sunday experience' by having staff/volunteers available between Masses on Sunday.
- Reviewed minutes from October 18, 2022 meeting approved as amended.

Pastor's Report Fr. Erich R.

- Archbishop Hebda Synod process. Focused on evangelization, intentional discipleship, youth and young adults.
- Pastoral Letter, encapsulating the entire process. Letter will be available Sunday, Nov 20, Christ the King. Will make it available to parishioners via website, handouts, eNews.
- Proposal to separate Worship & Community Life Council into two councils: 1) Worship and 2) Community Life.
 - Community Life can focus on events and dovetail with "Ignited by the Spirit campaign". Will begin
 communicating in Jan/Feb and start recruiting for ministry partners. Start as an ad-hoc committee, will be
 formalized at the next discernment process in spring/summer.
 - o PLC members are in agreement to separate the two councils. Will discuss structure at next PLC meeting.
- There has been a lot of feedback about bringing back Sunday evening 6pm Mass. Proposing to consolidate our Sunday morning Mass times to 8:00 am & 10:00 am. May allow our Latino community to come earlier (12:00 rather than 1:00 pm). The hope would be the Masses would be fuller, more singing, more community building, and greater opportunities to connect with people. Will host events between the Masses in the Courtyard.
 - PLC members are in favor of changing the Sunday Mass times. Further discussion needed on how to introduce to parishioners and when to implement.

Administrator's Report

Rick S.

Called and Gifted Workshop, Saturday, January 14, 2023

- Discernment process designed by the Catherine of Siena Institute. One of the facilitators is Patrick Connelly, from Relevant Radio.
- Focus on skills, strengths, inventory of one's gifts, and how we may be called to use our gifts. Includes a includes a 1 on 1 discussion with facilitator and guided small group discussions. Cost is \$85 per person. Looking at ways to possibly subsidize that cost. Details to follow.

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Update on Building Space

- We need space for classrooms, for the proposed program 'Catechesis of the Good Shepard' (CGS) and storage. Reached out to 4 different contractors. Looking for someone to propose a good project that we can implement and complete before the start of next school year.
- Looking at our school/parish and 3510 Vivian building and surrounding areas.

Ministry Area Council Updates

Facilities Council Joe D.

- Office carpet is complete.
- Reviewing ideas for the 3510 Vivian building, continuing to meet with some contractors.
- Maintenance on the air handlers and boilers.

Faith Formation Council Kat C.

- Discussing ideas to increase membership: childcare at Sunday 9am/11am Masses, more small groups, Sunday evening 6pm Mass, consistent start and end time to Masses.
- Director of Faith Formation is still on leave (Gizella). Working with Rick and Fr. Erich on interim director.
- Upcoming program coming to St. Odilia through the Archdiocese. Called and Gifted, January 14, 2023.
 Opportunity for small group follow-up.
- Working on getting more speakers. Amy Strong is following up with speakers from St. Paul Seminary.
- Catechesis ideas for involving parents to sub/support as they have in the past. Will need to promote VIRTUS training (online).

Finance Council Francisco de.M.

- Finance Council reviewed and accepted the October financial statements. Contributions are \$99K below budget. Discussed ideas on how to limit expenses, and plans to increase revenue if possible.
- Annual financial representation letter was completed.

Latino Leadership Council

Karime

- 270 students enrolled in catechesis. Will create two teams, first year and second year.
- Planning Our Lady of Guadalupe celebration, December 11 after Mass, 3-6pm. Special Mass on December 12 and small gathering after.
- Starting to plan the Novena for the first Friday in December. Families are still enrolling.
- Change of name from Hispanic Leadership Circle to Latino Leadership Council.

Pastoral Care Council Karen H.

- Deacon Jim and school students are working on Thanksgiving baskets for families in need. Will have 30-35 families.
- Sarah's Table Wednesday, November 16. Memory Loss and Support Mass on Wednesday, November 16.
- Sister Carol Ann moved to Shakopee, will continue calling on 40+ people she has been connecting with over the years.
- Sharing Tree/Advent Tree is going up Thanksgiving weekend. Asking for gift cards to help those in need throughout the year.
- Sharing and Caring Hands currently volunteering 3x/year. Hoping to do that more often.
- FMSC volunteer opportunity in December.

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Looking at another program: Every Meal, Roseville. Food packets for kids going to school who are in need.

School Advisory Council

- Cristian joined SAC for discussion on how to better serve/engage the Latino community. Idea to get the school admissions material translated into Spanish for parents.
- Marathon raised \$75K, \$10K more than the goal.
- Discussion about the recent partial lock-down. Need to coordinate lock-down procedure with parish office.

Social Justice Council

John H.

- Discussion on best practices for bringing people back to Mass and our need to engage youth. Programming opportunity to connect and learn after Mass, during coffee & donuts in the Courtyard.
- Faith and Racial healing program will be held January through March 2023.
- Sister Parish collected names at the ministry fair. Plan to contact each person and meet in November. Looking for plans/ideas to facilitate more connections with a sister parish.
- Discussed greener options for parish events (i.e., replacing Styrofoam cups). Care for creation, theme of Social Justice.

Stewardship

Ana P.

- Received 390 covenant cards out of 2100 that were mailed out. 64 of those were collected from Latino Mass.
- Lay witness Ministry Minutes short video. Would like to invite all ministry councils, promote and encourage involvement. Contact person: Jim Donnelly.

Worship Council

Kathy W.

- Researching sources to help with liturgical suggestions; ways to get more creative with our Masses.
- Livestreamed Mass exit signs are a distractions. Suggest closing the curtains.
- Discussed family fun events, which will be organized through the newly created Community Life Council.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:45 p.m.

Next PLC Meeting:

January 17, 2022* (canceling December 20 PLC meeting)

Prayer:

Troy Gregory

^{*}PLC discussed an icebreaker for next January meeting, mix up MAC tables during soup supper.