

# St. Odilia

## Parish Leadership Council (PLC)

### Meeting Minutes 10/17/23

Council: Parish Leadership Council (PLC)					
<b>Date:</b>	Tuesday, October 17, 2023		<b>Time:</b>	8:00 p.m.	
<b>Chair:</b>	Troy Gregory		<b>Location:</b>	St. Monica Room	
<b>Meeting Participants:</b>	Present		Present		Present
Beth Aune		John Hunt	X	Fr. John Rumpza	X
Janet Bohman	X	Kelly Johnson	X	Rick Storms	X
Kat Coleman	X	Brian McCool	X	Annetta Sutton	X
Maribel Camacho	X	Jean Nickman	X	Kathy Wiggin <i>Ryan Hauenstein in for K. Wiggin</i>	
Joe Dodge	X	Ana Pesina	X		
Troy Gregory	X	Fr. James Peterson	X		
Karen Henningsen	X	Anne Rodenberg	X	Amy Etten (Recorder)	X

<b>Opening Prayer</b>	<b>All</b>
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- Prayer shared by Kat Coleman. (9/19/23 Minutes emailed to PLC members prior to meeting.)

<b>Pastor's Report</b>	<b>Fr. James P.</b>
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- Teaching parish seminarian: Brother Didicus, from Franciscan Brothers of Peace. Introduced to parishioners during Mass last weekend. Met with 11 people from our parish, all from a cross-section of backgrounds. Br. Didacus speaks English, Japanese and Spanish.
- Synod: going forward with small group training on Tuesday evening. 57 members from Latino community, 33 English. 90 in total. Recently attended a priest formation day about the synod process, Parish Evangelizing Cells (PECS). Will offer at a larger level in the spring.
- Attended an event at the Cathedral, relics of St. Therese of Lisieux, universal patroness of the foreign missions, and her saintly parents. Thousands of people present, giving thanks and praise to God and to venerate the relics of these great saints.

<b>Administrator's Report</b>	<b>Rick S.</b>
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- Annual Financial Report is complete.
- Prayer Garden: Lynne Schriver-Sheedy manages the prayer garden. She will join PLC next month to give an update on the Prayer Garden financials and where we are with the expansion/adding columbaria.
- School tuition – the Finance council needs to be involved in setting tuition, will plan a meeting with the School Advisory Council. PLC will be notified of updates in the January meeting.
- Cyber security – all churches are going through an assessment and reviewing necessary requirements. Will allow us to get Cyber Security Insurance.
- Building security – we need to be mindful. If you know people within our parish community who may be able to offer security let Rick know.

#### Ministry Area Council Updates

<b>Stewardship</b>	<b>Ana P.</b>
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- Reviewed the current Stewardship Campaign (still in the process of creating brochure). Positive feedback on Anne Rodenberg's video. Well done.

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- Discussed methods to improve the Ministry Fair and increase participation. Consider second Ministry Fair in the spring.
- The Council wants to bring back the “Ministry Minutes”.

<b>Faith Formation Council</b>	<b>Kat C.</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Promoted Faith Formation programs at the Ministry Fair. Youth ministry is building. Spark Nights going well with approx 16 kids. Metanoia (High School Youth Group) has a core group of 6-8 students.</li> <li>• Looking to start giving recommendations for content on Formed. Plan to solicit reviews from parishioners.</li> <li>• Elementary subcommittee is working on collecting resources and teaching ideas from catechists to capitalize on the great things people are already doing. Sharing best practices and resources.</li> </ul>	

<b>Finance Council</b>	<b>Janet B.</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Affirmed ongoing work with the Investment Sub Committee to review our performance portfolio. May look at creating a Gift Acceptance Policy.</li> <li>• Reviewed and approved Financials for September. Sunday contributions are below budget for YTD (33k YTD), but ahead of last year's actual (27.4K YTD)</li> <li>• Fall Festival did very well; budget net 74K, actual net 100+K.</li> <li>• December ad-hoc meeting to review tuition for 2024-2025, will look at structure and organization of the school.</li> </ul>	

<b>Pastoral Care Council</b>	<b>Karen H.</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sarah's Table – 90+ participants at October event. Great start to the year. Next luncheon is November 8, entertainment by St. Odilia school children and St. John's bible illuminations &amp; music.</li> <li>• Garden closing for the year. Community garden donations include: 120 pounds of produce to Ralph Reeder Food Shelf, 130 lbs given away after 1:00 p.m. Mass in August and September, donations also given to St. Therese and other facilities.</li> <li>• Sharing Tree will be assembled November 21 with school children's decorations. November bin collection: Brittany's Place in St. Paul, shelter and program for youth experiencing/at risk of sex trafficking. December and January bin collection for Birth Rite (Respect Life Committee)</li> <li>• Goals for 2023-2024 complete. Focus on increasing awareness and document participation and/or volume of services provided by the Pastoral Care Council.</li> </ul>	

<b>Facilities Council</b>	<b>Joe D.</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• St. Therese windows and garage doors need replacement. Getting a cost estimate for planning purposes. Primary focus will be replacing garage doors. Window replacement will be an expensive project, may be deferred. TBD.</li> <li>• Discussion of PACE &amp; PRISM and long-term goals.</li> <li>• Reviewed many small maintenance projects, tracked on spreadsheet to know when projects are due/price estimates.</li> </ul>	

<b>Worship</b>	<b>Ryan H. (filling in for Kathy W.)</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Liturgical minster morning of reflection with Fr. James, preparing for Advent, November 4 at 10:00 a.m.</li> <li>• Altar server party at Flaherty's Bowling, November 11 at 11:30.</li> <li>• Planning to purchase two more columbaria for the Prayer Garden, well in advance of approaching status of being 'sold out' and before price increases at the first of the year. Loading data for new mapping software.</li> <li>• Reviewing Mass changes for Christmas. 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent and Christmas Eve fall on the same day. 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent Masses: Saturday, Dec 23, 5pm Mass, Sunday, December 24: 9am, 11am Spanish Mass</li> </ul>	

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(no 7:30 am or 1:00 pm Mass). Christmas Eve Masses: 4pm Church & Gym, 6pm Spanish (church) 6pm English (gym) and 11pm (music beginning at 10pm)

<b>Social Justice Council</b>	
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- Supported the youth who attended World Youth Day in Portugal. Spiritual highlight of seeing the Pope.
- Speaker/facilitator Dr. James Brewer Stewart, leading historian of American race relations and professor emeritus Macalester College. Thursday, Oct. 26 event at Shoreview Community Center “*Understanding our neighbors, understanding ourselves. A constructive conversation about race & racism*”.
- Welcoming members from St. Peter Claver Social Justice Council, 11am Mass, Oct 22. Luncheon in St. Monica room after Mass. Learn from one another.
- Scholarship program work in progress.
- Ministry Fair – discussed ideas and suggestions for next year.
- Understanding our indigenous brothers and sisters, excellent tutorial “American Buffalo” new documentary from Ken Burns.

<b>Community Life Council</b>	<b>John H.</b>
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- Trying to expand CLC “Foundation” membership. Commit to receiving emails year-round about ministry partnership opportunities. Benefit: Opportunity to bring ideas for upcoming community activities.
- Planning a family event for Saturday, December 2 prior to 5pm Mass. “Birthday Party for Jesus”.
- Looking for a way to better communicate upcoming events sponsored by Ministry Area Councils (MACs). This could facilitate collaboration between MACs.

<b>Latino Leadership Council</b>	<b>Maribel</b>
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- Community has grown, celebration for our Lady of Guadalupe, December 10. Trying to get more volunteer input, divide the workload.
- Faith Formation and catechesis – currently 100+ students.
- Las Posadas (“The Inns”) will celebrate Saturday, December 16 through Sunday, December 24. Commemorates the journey that Joseph and Mary made from Nazareth to Bethlehem.

<b>School</b>	<b>Kelly J.</b>
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- Overall Marathon raised \$60K. Have until Thursday to submit final donations. Donations may be used to supplement furniture/needs for new classrooms.
- Parent/Education speakers to come in and address social dynamic issues. Tentative dates 11/28 and March 21. First one most likely parent of St. Odilia student. Helping adolescents navigate social landscape.
- Reaching out to (non-Catholic) families in regard to learning more about the Catholic faith.
- Working on goals for school. One initiative will be greater integration between school and church, drawing more families into church.

**Next PLC Meeting:** December 5, 2023

Prayer: Ana Pesina