

St. Odilia

Parish Leadership Council (PLC)

Meeting Minutes 1/16/24

Council: Parish Leadership Council (PLC)					
Date:	January 16, 2024		Time:	8:00 p.m.	
Chair:	Troy Gregory		Location:	St. Monica Room	
Meeting Participants:	Present		Present		Present
Beth Aune		Karen Henningsen	X	Fr. James Peterson	X
Janet Bohman	X	John Hunt	X	Anne Rodenberg	X
Kat Coleman	X	Kelly Johnson (Michelle)		Fr. John Rumpza	X
Maribel Camacho	X	Brian McCool		Rick Storms	X
Joe Dodge	X	Jean Nickman	X	Annetta Sutton	X
Troy Gregory	X	Ana Pesina	X	Kathy Wiggin	

Opening Prayer	All
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- Prayer for those are out in the cold (shared by Annetta Sutton)
- Review of the December minutes

Pastor's Report	Fr. James P.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Archdiocese – Catholic Services Appeal Foundation (CSAF). St. Odilia exceeded our goal. Came in #6. Generous hearts of our parishioners. • Capital Campaign for the Archdiocese \$300M Campaign. 60% of funding would come back to the parish. Helping parishes that are suffering financially. 	

Administrator's Report	Rick S.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewed content from Prayer Garden with the Finance Council, accepted additional columbaria to the prayer garden • Cul de sac behind the rectory, on St. Odilia property. City is in the process of a clean-up project, developing a walking path through the area. Will provide additional information at upcoming PLC meeting, and discuss with the School Council as it may affect our school. Need some clarity on the details of the walking path, i.e., who will maintain the path, who will clean it up, what happens to the drainage, etc. Potential positive aspects as well. • School is considering piloting a fundraising program called "RaiseRight". 	

Ministry Area Council Updates

Worship Council	Anne R. for Kathy W.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lenten plans: Parish Mission scheduled for March 4-6, details TBD. • Preparing for Stations of the Cross, Reconciliation and Holy week • New ministry - Sound Board Operator. Plan to promote through Mounds View High School, Totino-Grace. • Teaching Mass well received. Focus on Adoration for Lent 	

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Faith Formation Council	Kat C.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> John Hunt from CLC came to talk about Community Life Council and asked how we could collaborate. Youth ministry requested help with a band doing a concert here, also requesting a “Teen Room” at Fall Festival. 51 students at Confirmation retreat. Kids had a very powerful experience. Spark Nights starting back up this month, Metanoia had 20 high schoolers at their Christmas party. OCIA (8 in weekly class, 3 meet individually). Small group training/Synod – about 14 people. Small group informational sessions after the 9am and 11am Mass Sunday, January 21. Adult subcommittee – resource list for website in development, asked for activity suggestions from council members. Youth ministry – wants to get LifeLine trips to NET going again in March, and organize an Adoration and Worship night. Elementary – planning for catechesis recruitment in Spring, discussing how to support catechists in their role, need ideas for the “field trip”, request speakers for Family Faith night. 	
Finance Council	Janet B.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parish administrative updates. Reported to the Finance Council on the Prayer Garden for their awareness and approval. The project is self-sustaining. Update on Finance Manager position, replacement for Gail Foote. Many good candidates. Discussed school tuition credit with gift cards/Raise Right. Investment subcommittee continued reallocation recommendations, looking at investment policy, short-term vs long-term equity. Investment committee will discuss with Allodium, come back to Finance council with recommendation. Strong Christmas giving – 59k FY24 vs 43K FY23 	
Pastoral Care Council	Karen H.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Will join Community Life Council in February Giving Tree – collected over 16K in gift cards. Over 40 families requested help. Food Shelf bins – during Christmas holiday they collected over 500 lbs of food, distributed to Ralph Reeder and Franciscan Brothers of Peace Food Shelf. Monthly donation bin for February - Listening House of St. Paul Cards to seniors (people over 80 years in age) will be mailed by Lent. 	
Facilities Council	Joe D.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> B wing air handler has been fixed Gym lights were replaced over winter break, under warranty Will be storing some items from the garage in the shed behind St. Therese The door, camera, and temperature control software has been updated (money provided by Endowment grant) 	
Stewardship	Ana P.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sara Palmersten joined the Stewardship meeting to discuss partnership opportunities. Stewardship campaign updated – cards continue to come in. Approx. 1.4M pledges and 30% response rate Continue to work on 2024 goals 	

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Social Justice Council	Annetta S.
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- Discussion on the Scholarship program, \$1,000 for books, tuition for those who are struggling.
- Discussed the structure of Social Justice and Racial Equity Ministry
- Planning for Earth Day, would like to plan a recycling project here at the parish. Community Life will coordinate. Elimination of Styrofoam, many parishes have transitioned over to compostable and recyclables. More information to follow. Requesting all details on subject be reviewed by Rick Storms before proceeding.
- REM event with Dr. Stewart was well received. Going on the road with the event "Understanding our Neighbors and Ourselves, a conversation on Race"
- Just Faith course on indigenous people in the fall

Community Life Council	John H.
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- CLC got on agendas of various MACs to discuss collaboration ideas.
- CLC moving away from a model where we run events, and toward collaboration with planning and execution of events with other MACs. Several ideas already brought up collaborating the Faith Formation and Social Justice.

Latino Leadership Council	Annie M.
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- Discussed idea of moving meetings from Tuesday to Sundays. Decision made to leave on Sunday
- Recruiting more people for council, need MAC guidelines, expectations, commitment
- Feast of OLG in December was a huge success, large number of people attended (1000 ppl), posadas, rosary, big turnout, a tradition they want to keep for their children, waiting list for those to go to each other houses and pray
- Discussed idea of having a Spanish Mass in Spanish on Saturday evening

School	Michelle for Kelly
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- RaiseRight fundraising pilot discussed. Reducing tuition through digital gift cards for families to earn kick back toward tuition. Buying a gift card through RaiseRight, a percentage of the purchase will be credited to child's tuition. 90% tuition, 10% scholarship fund. Looking to pilot first, before rolling out school wide. Hoping to roll out early April.
- 5% tuition increase, not raising technology fee. All families will pay a \$300 non-refundable enrollment K-8
- Beginning planning for Bloom. \$67,500 sponsorships, 82 silent/live auction items. Kick off meeting Tuesday, 1/23.

Next PLC Meeting: February 20, 2024

Prayer John Hunt