

Co-Cathedral of St. Thomas More

Summary of the Pastoral Council Minutes

April 19, 2017

Present: Father John Cayer, Michele Taylor, Jeanne O'Kon, Dasha Nixon, Marisa Lewis, Theresa Medehue, Sheila Hopkins, Patty Moes, Kyle Tamer, Bob Ballard, Ben Jackson, Brother Rahl Bunsu, Silvia Alderman, Chaney Coggins, Joy Smith, Missy Hollis.

Excused: Paul Ebbbers, Wayne Evans, Michael Williams, Sarah Petronio.

CSU Update: Patty Moes introduced Kyle Tamer, the new 2017-2018 CSU Pastoral Council representative. The CSU had a good Easter with many special events, bringing them closer to Christ as a community. Patty stated that the CSU is very grateful for the support of the parish. Missy suggested that parishioners be informed about the large number of college students participating in CSU Spirit Nights and other activities.

Parish and Family Life Needs: Dasha reported on the upcoming 50th Anniversary celebration. There will be a formal dinner, inviting past clergy to attend; the Liturgy at the 11:45 Mass and a program; and a bigger picnic celebration. There is a Historical Committee that is gathering information about the history of the parish.

Education and Faith Formation:

Trinity Catholic School: Joy Smith announced that the Father Murray Scholarships were awarded to Damian Nixon and Cecelia Malley. Rear Admiral Rick Grant was the guest speaker at the presentation. Isabella Augustine placed fourth in the State Science and Engineering Fair. The Caldecott Bee was held for the third graders, and they read many of the Caldecott Medal books. *St. John Paul II CHS:* Missy Hollis reported that the musical "Sister Act" was performed the week before Holy Week. Registrations for the upcoming school year are taking place now. The school will hold a new high school immersion program called "Dare to Be Great" with new activities.

Administration: *Kitchen Update:* Cheney Coggins gave an update on the kitchen renovation. The "soft" campaign for donations will start in the fall, and the project may not be completed until 2018, but the result will be much better.

Pastoral Council Election: The election is scheduled for the weekend of May 20/21. Jeanne will work with an *ad hoc* committee and Father John to develop a list of possible nominees.

Father John reported that a Diocesan Priests' Retreat will be held April 24-28. Deacon Andy will hold services during the absence of the priests. On May 8-12, only a 7:00 a.m. Mass will be held during the week. The Mass schedule will change on June 4 through July 30. The Sunday morning masses will be at 9:30 and 11:45, and the evening Mass at 6:00 p.m.

New Business: Sheila Hopkins reported that the NCCW took a pilgrimage to Italy, and the group met Pope Francis. She said that there is an "aura of peace" around Pope Francis. The NCCW traveled as a group to several cities and toured churches and even the catacombs.

The Pastoral Council will gather for a dinner meeting at the Rectory on **May 17th at 7:00 p.m.**