

Parish Council Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, April 20, 2022

Present: Fr. Paul, Fr. Jonathan, Hailey, Edgar, Peter, Katia, Trevor, Cathy, Matthew, Josephene, Cristina

Absent: Bob, Correinne

Guest: Mireille Church

1. Call to Order: Hailey
2. Mireille updated PC on Care for Creation's agenda for the next seven years based on the Vatican's Care for Creation initiative/program. Holy Redeemer Parish will be a model church for the diocese.
3. Meeting reconvened in the Upper Room
4. Prayer: Fr. Paul lead us in prayer.
5. Minutes approved
  - Josephene to send minutes to reception for uploading to webpage.
6. Action items reviewed from March meeting minutes. Ongoing action items:
  - Hailey to confirm with Care for Creation regarding their ministry head retreat.
  - PC to invite Teresa Kargul and Kim Jennings to September's meeting.
  - Matthew to check-in with Choirs regarding Maria's retirement celebration.
7. Ministry Check-in: for details, please ask Josephene
8. Welcome Back celebration update. PC approved of renting marquee; everyone was voluntold to be an ambassador during the celebration.
  - Send names of individuals who might be interested in this initiative
  - Please remember to sign up for celebration

9a. Fr. Paul asked PC for their feedback about Palm Sunday/ Triduum / Holy Week.

- Better advertise liturgy of the hours (Triduum morning prayers)
- Better acknowledge and "embrace" those receiving sacraments during the Vigil
  - Fr. Paul will host a similar debrief with the liturgical committees.

9b. Fr. Paul explained the "Parish Vitality" initiative stemming from his trip to parishes in Nova Scotia. He outlined 7 signs of parish vitality and asked, "is Holy Redeemer alive?" We are challenged with the opportunity to help grow our parish as a missionary church that evangelizes and creates disciples. Next PC meeting will be dedicated to thinking about PC's agenda for next year in line with these ideas/challenges.

- Hailey to share Diocese of Chicago link (from Ted Hurley)
- Fr. Paul to forward our parish's synodal process summary

10. Nomination Committee formed: Fr. Paul, Katia, Josephene.

- Nom. Com. to meet May 4
- Josephene to organize and book meeting with Fr. Paul and Katia
- Continue to reflect on possible nominees and submit names to Hailey AFTER approaching possible candidate.

Parish to consider limiting live-streaming to one weekend Mass and to stop recording the Masses.

11. Fr. Jonathan closed the meeting with prayer
12. Next meeting: May 11, 7pm (Next two meetings changed to second Wednesday of the month)
13. Go home!