

Our Lady of the Greenwood Parish Pastoral Council
May 28, 2019

Members and Guests Present: Kent Clady, Tony Cooper, Cindy Rapp, Fran Reiley, Helen Flanigan, Norb Fuhs, Maria Gomez, Joe Neeson, Karen Carpenter, Steve Pappas, Charlie DiGiovanna, Carolyn Gibson, Stacie Hocker, Tina Bradshaw, Mike Kalscheur, Ava Kalscheur and Monsignor Mark

Members Absent: Preston Marunde, Matt Sierp, Luis Barajas, Becky Cope and Mike Veenhuizen.

The May meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council was called to order by Chairman Norbert Fuhs. Monsignor opened the meeting with a prayer.

Comments from the Chair: Norb Fuhs thanked those that ran for the three at-large seats on the council. He said they were all good candidates. He announced the two new members, Domenic D’Ettore and Nathan Colombe and reported Mike Kalscheur will be serving another term.

Minutes: The April minutes were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Carolyn Gibson and seconded by Stacie Hocker, motion passed.

Commission Reports

Christian Service: Cindy Rapp reported on the passing of Marie Standley one of the parish’s outstanding members. She described Marie’s life and her involvement with so many ministries. Cindy said Marie exemplified Christian Service!

Faith Formation: Helen Flanigan reported their next outreach event will be the booth at the festival. They plan to have handouts and Formed.org business cards.

Youth Ministry: Helen Flanigan read Patty Schnarr’s report on youth activities. May was a tough outdoor activity month because of the weather. Bible Study for HS youth was supposed to start 5/19 but no one showed up so it will be put off until school starts. The youth are decorating a float for the Freedom Fest parade and all groups with youth are invited to participate and walk in the parade. On the side of the float it will say “Faith – Family - God – Country.”

School: Kent Clady reported school registration is going well. He reported that they are posting positions for two teachers and for four support personnel.

Social/Family Life: Steve Pappas reported the K of C has a slate of officers for the coming year. Some of the knights attended a special Mass at St. Francis & Clair on Memorial Day. Steve also reported the K of C plans to help with the Taco booth at the festival.

Spiritual Life: Charlie DiGiovanna distributed a report on the SLC. In it he describes the ministry chairpersons he spoke with – “They are self-starting, committed, creative people who spend countless hours organizing, leading and managing the resources they need to accomplish the purpose for which their ministry exists. I was enthralled by the enthusiasm I witnessed listening to them describe what they do and how they do it I was amazed when I realized just how much I have been taking for granted the time and effort ministry chairpersons contribute that make the OLG parish the kind of supportive, welcoming family it is. I feel that to itemize or describe ministry chairpersons’ activities would be doing them a disservice……. However, I plan to report from time to time on non-routine activities within SLC ministries.”

Stewardship: Tony Cooper reported the Spanish Community’s fundraiser on May 19 which raised \$1400.

Financial Report - Fran Reiley reviewed the April financial highlights and the 2019/2020 budget. After a discussion a motion was made by Charlie DiGiovanna to approve the budget, seconded by Carolyn Gibson. Motion unanimously passed.

Development: Tony reported the OLG School enjoyed Field Day/Hot Dog Day with many families participating. Woody Burton was a guest and was impressed at the physical fitness activities.

Commission Reports – It was suggested that in the future the reports be emailed to the secretary so that she can forward to the members with the minutes and agenda. The secretary would need to receive the commission reports by the Wednesday before the meeting. Tina Bradshaw – journey.girl@comcast.net

Old Business:

2019-2020 PPC Nominations and Elections

Chairman, Norb Fuhs reported the nominations for officers:

Chair – Joe Neeson, Vice-Chair – Helen Flanigan, Secretary – Tina Bradshaw

A motion was made by Karen Carpenter to accept the nominations, seconded by Charlie DiGiovanna. Motion passed unanimously.

Status of Security: Monsignor explained difficulties finding a security company. Discussed ways to cover the expense and agreed to provide security for all Masses for the ninety day trial.

New Business:

Amendment to PPC Constitution

Charlie DiGiovanna presented a change in an email he sent to all members May 16, 2019. The change was to Article 4, Section 3, duties of the Vice-Chairperson. After much discussion Charlie DiGiovanna made a motion to change Article 4, Section 3 or Section 4 adding the following duty: To ensure that the content of all the pages within the Parish Pastoral Council's section of the OLG's web site contain the most current information relating to the Council and its activities. There was not a second and the motion failed.

Open Floor:

Steve Pappas discussed a state School Safety Grant program that could be used to employ a school resource officers. Kent Clady will discuss with Steve later.

Cindy Rapp announced that she will not continue as Christian Service Commission chair. She reported none of the ministry heads wish to take on the duty. Stacie Hocker, who is active in a few of the ministries, said she would welcome the chance to serve as the commission head. Monsignor approved the assignment.

Norb Fuhs thanked everyone for serving on the council and wished the new officers well. He said we will have a pitch in next month at the rectory to celebrate Monsignor's retirement.

Comments from the Pastor:

Monsignor spoke of his replacement Fr. Todd and the parish he is coming from. He thanked everyone for serving on the council.

Closing Prayer led by Monsignor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cindy Rapp
Secretary