

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH
PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
August 31, 2017 6:30 p.m.
Parish Center Conference Room

Attendees: Father Bob, Deb Siebers, Carol Boots Bill VanNuland, Brian Dresang, Don Maas Sheila Blair

1. Opening Prayer (Bill VanNuland)
2. Alpha Video - Discussion question (Bill VanNuland)

Session 1: Is there more to Life than this?

How important is being a Christian you & why.

Each member in turn answered this question. Council members will view the next session (2 of 15) for discussion at next meeting.

Holy Spirit plans to implement the Alpha Series this year.

3. Goals for Pastoral Council (Brian Dresang)
 1. Incorporate spiritual enrichment into monthly meetings and bring more parishioners closer to Christ.
 2. Improve communications between Parish Council, committees and office staff using the liaison process and Organizational flow chart.
 3. Support and assist Finance Council to get finances in hand. Increase tithing in Parish
 4. Adhere to Diocese Parish Pastoral Council Policies.

4. Pastoral Council Liasion Flow Chart and Process (Bill VanNuland)

Parish Organization Flow Chart was handed out - there are eight different committees in the Parish, each with a Chair. A Council member is assigned as a liasion to each of the committies.

- (1) Youth Ministry - Carol Boots
- (2) Faith Formation - Don Maas
- (3) Social Concerns - Angel Thomas
- (4) Pastoral Care - Deb Siebers
- (5) Liturgy & Worship - Sheila Blair
- (6) Education - Bill VanNuland
- (7) Building & Grounds - Brian Dresand
- (8) Spiritual - Father Bob

5. Liasions are tasked with knowing who is on committe(s); when meetings are held; what is happening with committees; either go to a meeting or speak with chairperson & request minutes.

6. Update on Capital Campaign (Father Bob)

Father talked with Cindi Paul (prospective Capitol Campaign vendor) and it was suggested that Holy Spirit Parish work on tithing. Get more people involved in process and work with Church. There are 1,024 giving units in Parish & tithing is averaging \$1,000. Parish will work Finance Council & Diocese on this.

1. Boiler for church is project at \$44,000 and this is worked into the budget.
2. Will speak with Finance Office first before tithing compaign.
3. Diocese if considering another Diocesan Capital & Mission campaign. (50/50 split between diocese & parishes).

7. Update and/or discussion of Rich Curran (Father Bob)

1. Two areas defined where we are losing people

- a. Ages 0-5 (Less than half in Religious Ed or School).
- b. Ages 18-25

Parish needs to follow-up with parents - if Holy Spirit wants children to be involved in altar serving/youth ministry conversation starts the change.

8. New/old business (Brian VanNuland)

Do we need more council members>

Future meetings will be the 3rd Thursday of each month (90 minutes or less). Meetings will begin at 6:30 p.m. If a meeting is canceled, it will be held the following Tuesday.

9. Closing Prayer (Brian Dresang)