

QUAD-PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – APPROVED 2/23/2016

January 19, 2016

Annunciation Adult Faith Formation Room #105 – Annunciation Parish, 7:00 p.m.

ANNUNCIATION PARISH REPRESENTATIVES:	Donna Bouressa Diane Engels Jane Giese	Chris Kust Betty Staeven Joann Vaile
ST. JOSEPH PARISH REPRESENTATIVES:	Sue Adler Shelly Bitters Mary Brooks	Kathy LaLuzerne Betty Mailhiot Marlene Smith
ST. JUDE PARISH REPRESENTATIVES:	Clay Aumann Patrick Costello Martin Kyles	Terry Pasterski John St. Andre Susan Straubel
ST. PATRICK PARISH REPRESENTATIVES:	Nancy Cornwell Mary Ann Daniel Mary Simonis	Carolynne Younk Sharon Zakowski
PASTORAL STAFF:	Father Donald Everts	Father Ryan Starks

CALL TO ORDER:	The meeting was called to order by Father Don. The meeting opened with a prayer led by John St. Andre.
REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES AND AGENDA:	The quad-parish pastoral council meeting minutes of November 17, 2015 were reviewed and approved as submitted. The meeting agenda was approved as distributed with two additions under New Business: a) Christmas Card and b) Survey.

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COMMISSION REPORTS:	<p>In addition to the written commission reports that were distributed with the meeting agenda, the St. Jude Parish representatives were asked to give updates on other information from the commissions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Life Commission – <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Items Needing Council Approval: None. 2. Upcoming Events / Activities of Commission: The Feast Days for each of the parishes will be occurring in March. Small receptions will be planned for after each of the Feast Day Masses to recognize these events. Celebration of the Feast of the Annunciation will take place on April 4th. Holy Family School will be transporting students to this Mass. The December candy cane hospitality activity went well. Participation in the January cookie decorating activity was lower than expected. The intent of these activities is to promote the themes of home and family. 3. Other Commission Information: None. • Faith Formation Commission – <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Items Needing Council Approval: None. 2. Upcoming Events / Activities of Commission: Council members were directed to the Faith Formation Commission reports that were distributed with the meeting agenda. Because of low 	<p>No council action required.</p> <p>No council action required.</p>

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	<p>participation, the Nursery program that was offered during the 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Jude Church has been discontinued. The Lenten Family Night is scheduled for February 3, 2016. The theme of this event is “Sound of Hope.” The planners are asking for volunteers to assist with this event, including serving as small group leaders.</p> <p>3. Other Commission Information: None.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social Justice Commission – <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Items Needing Council Approval: None. 2. Upcoming Events / Activities of Commission: The reverse collection in November and the Advent Jesse Tree donations were very successful. People were very generous. The Salvation Army will be holding a Hygiene Drive in February. The Human Trafficking program at St. John the Baptist Church was well-attended and very educational. Becky Van Kauwenberg attended the commission meeting to speak about a service project Faith Formation students would like to coordinate to raise funds for the St. Patrick Food Pantry. It would include a bowling party. 3. Other Commission Information: None. • Stewardship/Evangelization Commission – <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Items Needing Council Approval: None. 2. Upcoming Events / Activities of Commission: The commission is working on a postcard to be mailed to parishioners that will summarize the schedule of Holy Week and Easter services. Volunteer opportunities for Winterfest were discussed. 3. Other Commission Information: None. • Worship Commission – <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Items Needing Council Approval: None. 2. Upcoming Events / Activities of Commission: Council members were directed to the Worship Commission report that was distributed with the meeting agenda. The theme for upcoming events and activities will focus on the mission statement’s concept of hope. 3. Other Commission Information: None. • GRACE – St. John Paul II Classical School has hired a lead teacher. 	<p>No council action required.</p> <p>No council action required.</p> <p>No council action required.</p> <p>No council action required.</p>
<p>NEW BUSINESS: LIVING JUSTICE/PANTRY BUILDING:</p>	<p>An offer was made to purchase the building and the offer was accepted pending approval by the City of Green Bay for a change of use. If the purchase is successful, the next step would be to renovate the building for its new purpose and then move the ministries into that location. Fundraising included both donations and grants from foundations. The goal is to have the moves completed in April or May. Eventually it is hoped this building could become a Green Bay west side ecumenical center with all</p>	<p>Informational; no council action required.</p>

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<p>STAFFING:</p> <p>CHRISTMAS CARDS:</p> <p>PAPER DRIVE:</p> <p>KNOW AND BE KNOWN:</p> <p>AREAS OF RENEWAL:</p> <p>SURVEY:</p>	<p>west side churches offering some support. As a first step, the focus will be on encouraging other west side Catholic parishes to support the center. At the present time, the ministries provide emergency assistance but, moving forward, the plan is to develop programs and offer tools to break the cycle of poverty.</p> <p>Father Don stated there may be some staffing changes in the future. He will keep the council informed.</p> <p>Terry Pasterski informed the group that there will be Christmas cards with pictures from each of the churches from years past available for purchase next season.</p> <p>The paper drives were initiated to raise money to pay for a new organ at St. Jude Church. Those funds have been raised but the plan is to continue the drives and put the money toward other Quad-Parish projects. Council members were asked to give suggestions for projects and a list was created. From this list, the council selected putting the funds toward St. Joseph Parish's debt reduction. The list will be maintained for future reference and other ideas can be submitted to Father Don.</p> <p>Father Don proposed getting name tags for all parishioners. He showed an example of a logo and a name tag. People would be asked to buy a name tag to wear at church. Using name tags would promote community and stewardship. Name tag styles and pricing options will be obtained.</p> <p>This topic was tabled and will be discussed at a future meeting.</p> <p>Father Ryan distributed a survey that is being used to determine how people use the weekly bulletin and the parish website and look for opportunities for improving communication. The survey should be returned by February 1st.</p>	<p>Informational; no council action required.</p> <p>Informational; no council action required.</p> <p>The council approved using the paper drive funds to support St. Joseph Parish's debt reduction through August of 2016, after which a new project will be selected.</p> <p>Informational; no council action required.</p> <p>No action required.</p> <p>Informational; no council action required.</p>
<p>OLD BUSINESS:</p> <p>WINTERFEST:</p>	<p>Besides "Heads or Tails" and the "Golden Ticket" activities, new this year at Winterfest is Bingo. Volunteers are needed for this event. The planning committee is reaching out to those who volunteered in previous years to ask if they are willing to help out again. Donations for the \$10 Mystery Grab Bags were requested. Another update will be given at the February council meeting.</p>	<p>Informational; no council action required.</p>
<p>OTHER BUSINESS:</p>	<p>There was no other business requiring discussion.</p>	

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m. Due to the parish mission, the next meeting will be held on February 23rd rather than February 16th.

Elizabeth Markon, Recorder