

St. Athanasius Pastoral Council

Pastoral Council Minutes

October 6, 2021 4:00 p.m.

Attendance:

- Bob Guzowski, Shannon Haines, Terri Koehler, Fr. Portelli, Carleen Short, Mary Winters.

Opening Prayer: Fr. Portelli

- Introduced new opening and closing prayers; specific to Pastoral Council.

Approval of September Minutes: Terri Koehler

- With one correction, Bob made a motion to accept the minutes. Mary seconded. Motion carried.

Reports

Knights: Bob Guzowski

- Tootsie Roll fundraiser earned over \$2,000.
 - Highest reported collection to date, per available records.
- Donations divided:
 - 80% to RESD; 20% to Special Olympics.

Anna J. Guild: Mary Winters

- White Elephant/Rummage Sale.
 - October 7-8, 2021; Sunday, October 9, \$1 bags following Mass.
 - Donation drop off began, Monday, October 6, 2021
 - Shannon: Sale times difficult for those who work.
 - Father: Suggestion, move opening to later in morning and remain open until early evening.
 - Mary: To be considered for the next sale.
 - More volunteers would make extended hours more feasible.
- Cookie Walk.
 - November 13, 2021.

Christian Service: Terri Koehler

- Giving Tree set up: November 18, 2021.
 - Distribution: December 16, 2021.
 - Fruit Baskets and Poinsettias to Shut-ins.
- First Congregational Church donated Family Fare receipts to STA.
 - \$100,000 from FCC.
 - \$50,000 to be collected by STA.
- Can and Bottle Drive
 - Highly successful thanks to the work of the Fultons and the Kindermanns.

Faith Formation: Carleen Short (Beth Kindermann not in attendance)

- Family Faith Formation began October 4, 2021.
 - Brunch.
 - Adult and Older Teen presentation - Beth Kindermann
 - Younger teens and K-6 children met with teachers.

Finance: Bob Guzowski

- No new report until next Finance meeting, end of October.
- Terri: Is Finance involved in sanctuary renovation discussions?

- Father Portelli:
 - Not at this time.
 - 2015 Pastoral and Finance Councils supported the plan, which did not go forward; approval process to be revisited by current councils.
 - In response to further member questions:
 - Diocesan permission is triggered at \$25,000.
 - Diocesan Liturgy Office should be involved in design and planning.
 - New statues for STA; discounted price from SHP vendor.
 - Right-sized Blessed Mother and St. Joseph statues.
 - Strengthening existing shelves is underway.
 - St. Michael and St. Padre Pio statues; same style as above.
 - Pedestals, built by Hank Brown or Greg Prusik, may be needed.

Old Business

Disciple Makers Index: Terri Koehler

- Joint meeting of SHP and STA teams; Thursday, October 14, 2021.
 - Share and discuss data from each parish: three opportunities for growth and improvement; three strengths to build upon.
- Will parish be resurveyed in 2-3 years? Father: Would depend upon the decision of the Diocese.

Bishop Gross Invitation to STA: Fr. Portelli

- Bishop not available for Corpus Christi, June 19, 2022.
- Possible dates: Parish Picnic, or warm weather date; Sunday in May, July, or August 2022.

Harvest Brunch: Terri Koehler

- Sunday, October 31, 2021 following Mass.
 - Sign up poster for potluck dishes in narthex.

Time and Talent Survey (Draft): Terri Koehler

- Retitled: Do something Amazing! Draft copies shared; needs discussed.

New Business

Christ's Mission Appeal: Fr. Portelli

- Next CMA began October 2-3, 2021; mailings go out to parishioners October 7-8. No end date given.
- 12% increase, \$18,776. \$2,000 more than previous year.
- Place early emphasis on summer visitor contributions.

Public Access Channels: Terri Koehler

- Means of making people aware of St. Athanasius Parish and activities.
- Carleen: Look into radio PSAs.

Coffee & Donuts: Fr. Portelli

- Resumes October 17, 2021. CSA, then alternates with AJG and KoC.

Homework: Terri

- View Matthew Kelly-Allen Hunt video: 'Sharing the Good News'.

Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 at 4:00 pm.

Closing Prayer: Fr. Portelli

Meeting adjourned: 5:40 p.m.