

# St Francis of Assisi Parish

## Pastoral Council Minutes

### May 22, 2017

The May, 2017 pastoral council meeting was called to order at 6:35 by President Chuck Simpson.

**Members present:** Chuck Simpson, Ruth Huddle, Tim Koerber, Diane Hoy, Jan Esguerra, Jackie Jones,

**Guests:** Ellen Simpson

**Staff:** Margaret Hettler, Christine Stillings

The April minutes were read and accepted. This was motioned, seconded and accepted.

#### **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary written history**

Diane Hoy reported that the written history of St. Francis for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary is still in progress.

#### **Parish Directory**

The Diocese recommended that we not use the vendor we were considering. We have contacted the Diocese for other recommended vendors.

#### **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner**

The dinner is planned for October 8<sup>th</sup> and will be held at the Apopka community center and catered by Carrabba's. The event will start around 4:30 pm. Tickets will be \$15 (children \$7). Formal invitations will be sent to the Bishop, Former priests, deacons, Sisters and the Mayor of Apopka. We will have a professional photographer who is associated with the Florida Catholic.

#### **Kid's Day**

October 29<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon we are planning a St. Francis Trunk and Treat party. The Pastoral Council is requested to participate to make this a success. Diane Hoy handed out some materials describing the event.

#### **Other Items**

The subject of a TV monitor for the church vestibule was raised with the finance committee. The original monitor was installed as part of the solar energy project. Due to limited staff there is no one to maintain the announcements. This item has been put on hold by the finance committee.

It was noted that storage of items such as tables and wheelchairs in the vestibule hallway poses a fire evacuation hazard. Storage of these items has been coordinated with the ushers. People needing these items may ask the ushers and they will be directed to the storage locations. Requestors will be responsible to move the items as necessary and will also be responsible to put them away properly. A notice has been placed on the bulletin board warning about the hazard and not to store things in the hallway.

### **With All Your Heart**

We are closing out the heart to pray season with a commitment weekend on June 3 and 4. Heart to serve season will be June 10/11 through September 16/17 which is catechetical Sunday. A ministry fair will be held August 5/6 which coincides with faith formation registration. Chuck Simpson will draft a letter to be sent to all ministry heads requesting that a ministry table be staffed after all masses during the fair. We discussed attendance incentives such as free raffle tickets to be handed out at masses with nominal prizes awarded to winners. Tim Koerber will pursue Disney tickets which will be raffled off to raise funds offsetting the cost of the nominal gifts. A tentative ad hoc council meeting date of May 31 at 6:30 was set to coordinate and plan out the activity. Tim/Chuck will send out meeting notices for the ad hoc meeting. The Heart to serve core team will be meeting on June 29 at 6:30 in the education building to discuss future plans.

### **Food Pantry**

The Food Pantry raised \$4992 from the flea market held May 11, 12 and 13.

### **New business**

The cross in front of the parish is being rebuilt as it was in poor condition.

We are getting estimates for new carpeting in the sanctuary for safety reasons as it posed a trip hazard in places. We are also looking into having the pews cleaned.

Tim volunteered to obtain a laminated poster with the mass times for placement in the sign in the church driveway.

The meeting was adjourned after prayer at 7:40. The next meeting will be May 31<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30pm (tentative) in the education building. This will be the last scheduled meeting until September.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tim Koerber, Secretary, St. Francis of Assisi Parish Pastoral Council

