

Minutes  
OLGH Pastoral Council Meeting  
Sunday March 18, 2018 10:30am

Attendance Present: Acklen Banks, Fr. Michael Barrett, Bob Gallagher, Peter Gray, Aruna Halala, Peg Harloff, Margie Kaczmarek, Carla Kohlschmidt, Richard Krueger, Mary Muza, Penny Potter. Guest Val Banks  
Attendance not present: David Dorgan

**1- Prayer** – Opening prayer led by Mary. Source: St. Luke Catholic Church Middleburg, FL “Pray for Me-Servant Leadership Initiative.”

**2- Formation. Facilitator Val Banks**

- **Parish Diversity Planning.**
- Val presented the Faith Forward: The Black Catholic Pastoral Plan for the Archdioceses of Milwaukee. Overview by Shawnee Daniels-Sykes. See the hand out provided.
- Also see booklet entitled Black Catholic Prayerful Reflections by Most Reverend Joseph Perry.
- Note these are designed to show the history of Black Catholic faith and where it is going in the future. The goal is to enhance the number of people of African descent in the Catholic Church. If we are to be truly a Catholic Church all members must be recognized. For example Seton Schools had no African American leaders or teachers. Now there are three teachers. Catholic Church history is not favorable but we are looking forward not back to make it better.

**3- Action Items and Committee Reports- Keeping Council “In the Know”**

**A Report from the trustees- Carla and Penny**

- 3/31/18 Easter Vigil will be like last year with a Wine and Cheese Social.
- 2:00pm preparation in Fischer Hall entry to the kitchen. Volunteers needed for bartender and preparation of Vegetable and Fruit trays.
- Sweets trays needed from volunteers also.

**B Committee Reports**

**1 Human Concerns**

- Dave provided an email in his absence for Human Concerns.
- February 19 Adult Formation meeting was held. There was representation from St. Bernadette’s parish there. Judy Dollhausen from St. Catherine’s attended in the role of head of tri-parish Human Concerns.
- Working as a tri-parish was decided to be the most effective way to have a series of events on topics like homelessness and hunger.
- March 12 Tri-parish KIDS formation meeting. It was decided that 1- Tri-parish Human Concerns 2-Tri-parish KIDS Formation and 3- Tri-parish Adult Formation committees would all work together on these same topics.
- Tuesday April 24 at 6pm at St. Catherine’s a special joint meeting of these committees will be held. A new committee is not being formed. All these committees will just be working together on a common issue over the course of a year or so.
- **Milwaukee 53206** (film about incarceration in this zip code) will be shown May 23 6:00pm to 8:00pm at St. Catherine’s Granville Room. An announcement should be added to the bulletin about this.
- **EVICTED** small group book read in June and July- the exact dates and times are to be announced.

- **Justministries** speaker in early August. David is in contact with Martice Scales from Justministries who can come to speak to us about his personal experience with poverty, homelessness and incarceration. We will have to work out the details and fees.
- See Justministries website at <https://justministries.org>

## **2 Prayer and Worship Committee**

- Fall event will be held the weekend of October 13-14. It will be a Tri-parish event with a guest speaker.

## **3 OLGH Human Concerns – Peg**

- Urban ministries announcement coming. This will be a health outreach event.
- Catholic Charities boxes are filling up. The items will be collected and distributed after Palm Sunday mass.

## **C Our Goal/Rallying Cry/Thematic Goal: Better together at OLGH**

### **1 Tri-parish Activity- Grass Roots efforts to share**

- Letter to the Archbishop about plans for consolidation
- Letter back said to work with the vicar who is his representative.
- Vicar Kitski had a meeting with the leaders of all three parishes. Now he must meet with them individually to get to know the parishes.

### **2 Ministry Education Event – Council Project**

- Mary presented a draft and diagram of the Open Door OLGH event
- Pastoral Council members will be at each station. Mary will be contacting members to volunteer at stations.
- It was decided to combine this with a OLGH picnic
- It will be held Saturday June 9 instead of a June Pastoral council meeting.
- It will be held before 4pm mass.
- Food will be provided after the 4pm mass.
- We will contact Jimbo to cater this event.
- See handout with Draft and map for details on how this would work and ideas for things to present at each station in the church.

## **D Upcoming Events**

- Sunday April 15 at 10:30am after mass. Snacks scheduled to be provided by Aruna
- Thank you to Margie for her hospitality on holding this meeting at her home and providing food and beverages.

Closing Prayer by Margie Kaczmarek

Meeting adjourned at 12:12pm.

Meeting evaluations to Mary by email to [mmuza1@wi.rr.com](mailto:mmuza1@wi.rr.com)