

ST. JOSEPH'S

PARISH



COUNCIL

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ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH COUNCIL

Date: September 5, 2019

Time: 7:00PM

ATTENDEES:

Fr. Benjamin
Deacon Mark
Cathy Levesque
Nancy Palumbo
Katie McMicken
Norm Turner
Pam Turner
Kathleen Gray

ABSENTEES:

Opening prayer by Norm Turner

Action Items and Needs Identified During This Meeting

Action Item (Old Business)	Completed/Notes
Respect Life Schedule meeting for September (Katie)	
Respect Life Life Chain Date (Katie)	
Women's Breakfast Announcements and Volunteer Sheet (Norm & Pam)	
Committee Responses Create Questionnaire and comment box for month	
Action Item (New Business)	Completed/Notes
Giving Tree: Set up tree before Thanksgiving	
Giving Tree: Announcement for Giving Tree (Cathy)	
Letter to a Suffering Church: Read Chapters and discussion of book (Norm)	

OLD BUSINESS

- **Flocknote (Norm):**
 - No new updates

- **Faith Formation:**
 - First class is Sunday September 8th
 - First and third Sundays of each month
 - No registration for this year
 - Several grades are combined
 - September 22 is the parent meeting after the rosary.
 - Around 85 kids are enrolled for this year's Faith Formation
 - Deacon and Father Benjamin will have adult faith formation upstairs, for parents and other interested parishioners, in the Church from 9am - 10:15 am on Faith Formation Sundays.

- **Respect Life**
 - Will have a Fall meeting
 - Have to get a date for the Life Chain in October
 - Think about a Spring fundraiser for a Crisis Pregnancy Center

- **Women's Breakfast**
 - October 13th, 2019
 - Nancy will be the guest speaker: Museum of Disability History started by People Inc. Disability etiquette
 - Disability Museum is located at the UB south campus in Amherst
 - Nancy: Admission passes for the museum included in the Raffle
 - Begin to sell tickets a couple of weeks prior to
 - Cathy to input announcements a week before sell date
 - Sheet for Volunteers for men

- **Committee Responses**
 - No new information
 - Every 5 years a question and answer put in the comment box.
 - Comment box with form
 - Questionnaire for a month
 - Liturgy meeting begin monthly meeting (Spiritual)
 - Used to be a Children's Mass with Father Dennis

- **Pastor's Report**
 - Faith Formation for adults. Father, this Sunday is going to teach about the New Testament and Deacon will teach the Old Testament the following Faith Formation Sunday.
 - Catholic Charities parish members will participate in a Mass and Social on September 6th at the seminary
 - Donors are invited to Catholic Charities dinner
 - Every month have a meeting of priests in the Diocese

- Main purpose is to strengthen the relationship between parish priests and Bishop
- Father goes on vacation on October 14th through November 2nd
 - Fr. Larry and Fr. Paul will sub for Fr. Benjamin while he's on vacation

NEW BUSINESS

- **Giving Tree:**
 - Over 100 families from the Colden Bread of Life
 - Put up before tree before Thanksgiving in order to give people time to shop for presents

- **Letter to a Suffering Church**
 - Video from Bishop Barron introducing his book
 - Everyone on Parish Council read book together
 - Norm will set reminders on Flocknotes to read chapter by chapter

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm, with closing prayer by

<p>NEXT MEETING IS Tuesday October 1st AT 7:00PM in the Parish Hall Opening prayer will be offered by Nancy Closing prayer will be offered by Pam</p>
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