

**OLPH Parish Pastoral Council  
Meeting Minutes  
April 25, 2022, 7:30 PM Flavin Room**

**PPC members present:**

Fr. Jerry Boland		Mark Cullum	X	John Nicolau		Gretchen Zagzebski	
Fr. Patrick Kizza	X	Steve Schmidt	X	Mike Wycklendt	X	John Simons	X
Susan Logan	X	Lisa Salemi	X	Tom Monticello	X	Patti Lawler	X
Tom O'Brien	X	Mark Ruchniewicz	X	Bridget Baumstark	X	Sara Carsten	X

**PPC Mission:** OLPH is a family of believers in Christ who strive to live according to His teachings. We take as our mission in the world the living out of the Gospel of Jesus.

**Opening Prayer offered by Patti Lawler**

**Approval of Minutes**

The March meeting minutes were approved.

**Stations of the Cross Acknowledgement**

The PPC helped to lead the Stations of the Cross service on Friday, April 1. Readers were Gretchen Zagzebski, Patti Lawler and Sara Carsten, and the cross bearers were Mike Wycklendt and Steve Schmidt. Margie Andre printed the brochure, and Jacquie O'Brien was the cantor for the event. Members of the PPC would be interested in participating in the future as well.

**Ministry Appreciation Event Update**

John Simons and Mark Ruchniewicz led an update on the Ministry Appreciation Mass, scheduled for Sunday, May 15. The event includes a 6 PM Mass followed by a reception in McDonnell Hall. There is a liturgy planning meeting scheduled for this Friday. PPC members have volunteered for specific roles and activities associated with the Mass and reception, and will continue to work on those. Invitations have been sent broadly to ministry participants, as well as to ministry leaders with the request to distribute further to others in their ministry. A number of positive responses have been received, with more expected in the next two to three weeks.

## **2022-23 PPC Member Recruitment Plan and Update**

Mark Cullum shared an update on the process to fill the Parish Pastoral Council positions that will soon become open. The request for applications has taken place for many weeks. A number of candidates have come forward and interviews are expected to occur over the next couple weeks.

### **Pastor's Update**

Fr. Kizza provided an update on a number of topics.

#### Holy Week and Easter

Holy Week and Easter went well and attendance was high for weekend services.

#### Renew My Church

Renew My Church meetings are on hold and will resume in July 2022. Approaches were discussed to engage in additional discussions about sharing resources and coordinating ministry schedules. Multiple PPC members participated in the follow-up webcast and group discussions after the event at St. Norbert's.

#### Upcoming Events

The Archdiocese has requested that there be a counting of Mass participants during two weekends during the month of May, which will be planned.

Father Jim Barrett's 40<sup>th</sup> Ordination Anniversary Mass will be celebrated May 21, with reception to follow.

The drive in 5PM Mass on Saturday evenings will be discontinued. It has served its purpose well during the early stages of Covid.

### **Other Topics**

The next PPC meeting is the joint meeting with the Finance Council scheduled for Monday, May 23.

**Closing Prayer offered by Gretchen Zagzebski**