

**OLPH Parish Pastoral Council
Joint meeting with Finance Council
Meeting Agenda
April 23, 2018**

Fr. Jerry Boland	Y	Kevin Boyle	Y	Marty Guerrero	Y	Bob Michels	Y
Fr. Nick Kostyk		Cathy Condon	Y	Mike Hood	Y	Cindy Moody	Y
Fr. Isaac Lara	Y	Tim Daniels	Y	Mara Lindsay	Y	Bill Nelson	Y
		Laura Flentye	Y	Bill McCabe	Y	Bob Pirsein	Y
		Maria Grable	Y	Mark McKinley		Rob Orr	Y

PPC Session: 7:00-7:30

Opening Prayer *offered by Bill*

Approval of Minutes

March Minutes were approved by the Parish Council

Engagement / Service Project Update

We have received positive feedback from the Sharing Ministry regarding the service Sunday offerings. 200 Brown Bags were made by Parish Council and parishioners, 350 cans of soup were collected on soup Sunday and 300 boxes of cereal were collected on Cereal Sunday.

New Member Status

Looking to fill 5 spots to replace the 5 current members that will be transitioning off the PPC. We currently have 7 candidates 5 men and 2 women. Interviews will begin in May.

Emergency Operations Plan

Emergency Operations Plan has been approved by the Archdiocese. EOP training will begin in late May.

Communication Updates

Mike presented updates from Melissa Conroy regarding OLPH Parish Communications. Communications Advisory Team is meeting April 23rd. Communications Advisory Team is still seeking young people to join their team.

Parish Transformation

John Konz From St. Norbert's Parish will be speaking in June on building a personal relationship with God. Still working on speakers to discuss the topic of social media. Transformation Team is building speaker series for the Fall. Next year, Transformation Team will explore next steps for the future phases of the Parish Transformation Process.

Joint PPC/Finance Session: 7:30-9:30

Introductions

PPC and Finance Council members introduced themselves

Finance Council Update

Bob Pillon presented Finance Council update for 2017-2018.

Nancy Schwider retired last June after 10 years of employment at OLPH. Jim Dollard was hired as the new Director of Finance and Operations. The Finance Council helped facilitate this transition. Jim expressed gratitude to the Finance Council for their support during his first 9 months of employment at OLPH. Bob also discussed budget updates for various groups and ministries at OLPH. Bob highlighted

the generosity of parishioners at OLPH and emphasized the importance of being good stewards with regard to parish finances. Finance Council acts as an advisory board to help maintain internal controls and oversight with regard to operations and funding for the parish. In addition, the Finance Council continues to monitor and support Capital Campaign efforts. Bob presented updates on school budget, income, expenses. OLPH School has a balanced budget and strong enrollment numbers for 2018-2019 school year. Parish budget collections were down last year, likely due to Capital Campaign giving. For 2018 to date, collection are up 4.4%. Bob discussed the importance of building reserves and being cognizant of expenses associated with a parish and campus of this scope and size.

Pastor's Report

Fr. Boland offered his gratitude to both PPC and Finance Council. Fr. Boland expressed that the vitality of OLPH is exemplified by PPC and Finance Council volunteers, their spirit of hope and willingness to participate in these governance councils. Father Boland further elaborated that the PPC supports the mission and vision of the parish and the Finance Council supports and advises the pastor in the use of the resources, ensuring that we can realize the mission and vision of the parish as good stewards.

Fr. Boland reflected on the growth of the parish during 2017 and 2018. Highlights include welcoming Jim Dollard and supporting his transition into the role of Director of Finance and Operations, Communications strategy and tools which continue to evolve with the goal to reach as many parishioners as possible in new and creative ways. Additionally, the Capital Campaign has brought many positive changes, the Convent apartment for sisters, the Parish Center and the Hearing Loop. Future possibilities include expanding meeting spaces, improving McDonnell Hall, the Glenview Road rehab, more STEM labs for the school. Fr. Boland expressed gratitude for the healthy vibrancy of the Parish School, enrollment is strong and budget is balanced. In addition, Father expressed gratitude for the Religious Education programs which serve over 1,000 young people. Father Boland emphasized the significance of formation of our young people and reiterated the importance of the Youth Ministry and expressed hope for growth in our youth programs at OLPH. Father further emphasized the continued growth of ministries at OLPH including 2 new guilds in the Women's Club, formation of the CHRP Continuation Ministry, and the continued development of the Creation Care, Domestic Violence and Scripture Study ministries.

Father Boland described the ongoing challenge of engaging parishioners who feel marginalized. He expressed the importance of Transformation and Engagements to this mission. Father expressed a desire to focus on welcome, hospitality, active engagement, ways to make parish mission more life giving for those who feel marginalized. Father shared the uniqueness of the multigenerational makeup of our parish community at OLPH and the importance of engaging the diverse age groups at OL.

Additionally, the Renew My Church activation process will begin next year, which will bring about change for OLPH and other parishes in our grouping . Parish Councils from Renew My Church Grouping met in March to begin to build relationships and discuss ways to share ideas and create opportunities for collaboration in our outreach and ministry efforts. Father expressed hope in the potential for collaboration efforts through Renew My Church.

Father expressed confidence that we will continue to deepen relationships with the community of believers here at OL as we move into the coming year and as leadership on both councils transition. Father Boland's hopes for the future include a vibrant and growing Youth Ministry, finding new ways to reengage and evangelize those who feel marginalized, embracing and offering healing for those who have become disconnected from the church. Father concluded by expressing hope that, as a faith community, we will find ways to keep spiritual life alive when we don't have as many priests and seek creative ways to foster formation for lay people.

Closing Prayer *offered by Maria*