

## Resurrection Pastoral Council

<b>Meeting Chair</b>	Marjorie Ingjaldson	<b>Date and Time</b>	27 Feb 2018
<b>Meeting Notes</b>	Parker Love	<b>Meeting Room</b>	2

### Participants

<b>Voting Members</b>	<b>Attended</b>	<b>Non-Voting Members</b>	<b>Attended</b>
Chair – Marjorie Ingjaldson	X	Fr. Rick Krofchek	X
Vice Chair – George Kress		Fr. Arpee Urquico	X
Past Chair – Dean Vey		Parker Love	X
Liturgy – Sherry Gray and Arlene Kuntz	X	Lisa Polk	X
Ministry of Care – Terry Turgeon		Regan Olafson – Recording Secretary	
Social Justice – Angie Schmalz and Jocelyn LeBlond	X	Karen Pacholka	
Youth – D’Arcy Brischuk	X	Joseph Paul	
Stewardship -		<b>Guests</b>	
Ecumenism -		Elaine Verhelst	X
Spiritual Development		Leanne Debert	X
Communications and PR -		Danica Love	X
CWL – Rosella McGrane		Marg Engel	X
Knights of Columbus – Ken Engel	X		

### Agenda

<b>Item No.</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Person</b>
1	Opening Prayer	Fr Rick
2	Approving Agenda / Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agenda amended to include the letter to the Archbishop</li> </ul>	
3	<p>Round Table Short Committee Reports (3-5 min each)</p> <p><b>Social Justice</b> (Jocelyn LeBlond)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working hard collecting names for the “Adopt-a-Senior Program”</li> <li>• Likely to arrange an Information Session after the 11am Mass on March 11, 2018</li> <li>• Bought some needed toiletry and food items (as requested by clients and outreach workers)</li> <li>• Muffin program continues to work well</li> <li>• Visitation House donations continue to go well</li> <li>• Sending out a survey for how to use Fr Rick’s salary money <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ This could be coming out as early as this weekend</li> <li>○ Part of the focus will be within our Pastoral Council’s goals of helping the people move from Maintenance to Mission</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Refugee Committee update (original family is no longer coming, but a new family is coming) – looking for more volunteers because after the delay from the original family, some enthusiasm has waned</li> <li>• It is possible that there will be remaining funds to support another family after this family is settled</li> <li>• Jocelyn might be stepping back from these meetings and sending a different representative so she can focus more on the Committee’s work</li> </ul> <p><b>Liturgy</b> (Arlene Kuntz)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Didn’t meet this month because they’ve decided to only meet on a bi-monthly basis</li> <li>• Preparing for Lent and Easter</li> </ul> <p><b>Youth</b> (D’Arcy Brischuk)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It’s great to have Parker coming out to JUMP Sessions, the twice-monthly meetings get great numbers from the elementary</li> </ul>	Committee Reps

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	<p>students, and Grade 8 is especially big</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HIGHER is the high school group. Fr Arpee comes out to that occasionally, but the numbers aren't as high but the program seems to go well</li> <li>• There are Faith Studies going on, or have recently gone on, at each of the four elementary schools, with varying success</li> <li>• ALPHA at Miller High school was very successful in the fall, and in this semester, the students are running one, but there is no work about how successful it looks since it is just starting today</li> </ul>	
4	<p>Letter to the Bishop</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Generally, it was agreed that things in the Letter look good</li> <li>• Parker suggested mentioning the staff and especially the key lay-pastoral staff at the same time that it mentions the priests and the seminarians</li> <li>• Jocelyn said that instead of saying there are “many helpers” that it might be helpful to suggest that there is always space for more helpers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Ken described how the Knights are available to help, and Jocelyn said that she was grateful for their help in the past, but part of the problem is engaging those people in the Parish who are not helping <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Marjorie suggested that the Knights, and Fr Rick suggested that the CWL, might be able to champion one of the causes with Fr Rick's money <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The qualifications for Fr Rick's money then fell down into a rabbit hole of fruitful, but off topic, discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ We probably had space for at least one more tangent. I shouldn't have interrupted as soon as I did. It's pretty tight, though.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>• The Archdiocese asked to describe how it can help the Parish, but there was uncertainty about how it could help. Parker suggested that maybe highlighting that the Archdiocese could make it more clear to the Parishes how it is present to help</li> </ul>	All
5	<p>Moving from “Maintenance to Mission”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>How do we build and grow the Kingdom of God?</b></li> </ul> <p>“Go forth, and make disciples of all nations” Matthew 28:19</p> <p>“Reach lost people to help them become disciples, then help them become growing disciples.” Rebuilt – Michael White and Tom Corcoran</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communication Plan: Feedback, Update, next steps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Marjorie asked the guests how the Pastoral Council's goals had been communicated to the Parish</li> <li>○ There was some reservation about what that plan was, so Marjorie laid out our hope to build people as disciples willing to share the Word of God (empowering evangelization without using that word), moving from anonymity to familial experience at the Parish</li> <li>○ Elaine offered some insight from her experience in Music Ministry: announcements and mentions in the bulletin never work, so there needs to be personal invitation. She asked if it would be possible for there to be a staff position that focuses on empowering the people around them in the parish? Someone who can connect with the people of the Parish and encourage them to share their gifts</li> <li>○ Leanne described how it is our responsibility as Christians</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	All

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	<p>to know and love the people around us, and she encouraged us to imagine what it would be like if, as a community, we reached out to the people around us with love and desire for relationship</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Lisa shared a personal story about how she tried to do that in her life</li><li>○ Marg shared stories of similar experiences – “empowering the people in the pews to not stay in their own comfort zones, not necessarily just in church but in the world too” – the struggle is balancing patience in this call</li><li>○ Elaine described how she knows public speaking and sharing in front of the church is not her gift so she empowers other people in her choir to be that public person on her behalf</li><li>○ Fr Rick even shared that, as an introvert, it is hard for him to make solid connection with people</li><li>○ Lisa and Marjorie described how it’s about sharing relationships and building them in time</li><li>○ Danica described an idea she had. Families sign up to pray for and be prayed for families on a family level. Anonymous families for particular families that finally meet at the end of the year. There was positive appreciation from the group. Prayer tied around the liturgical seasons is an opportunity for prayer and catechesis. With the formation of the directory, this would be an ideal time. Fr Rick described a similar experience with a CWL council that he had spiritually advised and encouraged to pray. “A framed picture in the family’s home that introduces who the family is and what the prayer should and could be.’ Marjorie said that this is a concrete way that the big parish can feel small. Real opportunity for relationship, especially with the reveal.</li><li>○ The discussion of greeters at the Parish, and other ministers at the Liturgy, not being anonymous but meeting the people around them. “Nametag Sunday”</li><li>○ Fr Rick described “Sit in a different seat Sunday” – just makes people uncomfortable, but maybe it’s a good idea to make people uncomfortable to encourage them to change</li><li>○ Fr Rick also described the three question approach “Who has a birthday? Who has an anniversary? Who is a visitor?” – a special welcome to people, in which introverts aren’t forced to communicate if they don’t</li><li>○ Danica also described how one way to build a community with a shared project. Especially, something small and with little commitment might get people out to do a job, and in doing that job, meet people around them. Lisa described how she has read how this kind of model has worked for parishes and evangelical church. Fr Rick described how this sort of what Tom does with volunteers in the kitchen</li><li>○ With that in mind, Lisa described again the benefit of some sort of staff position that empower the people around them</li><li>○ Marjorie returned to the point that we need to send out personal invitations. A friendly environment in the parish encourages people to invite people from the outside to the inside of the parish – Elaine described the goal of the <i>Rebuilt</i> parish: a program/work project was made for the people on the inside of the Parish, and it’s goal and objective was to make space for people from the outside</li><li>○ Fr Rick asked how do we get the people from the Parish</li></ul>	
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	<p>involved? How do we get people to participate in the directory? There needs to be a personal call from someone they trust.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Marjorie asked at the group if the room wanted to support the Families for Families program. There was consensus that is a great place to start. There was question of a champion. Danica said she would love to do it, but it is a busy time. She said she might get help. D'Arcy described how the Youth could be a group to help too. Danica described how there should be a solidification of the plan before anything goes forward. Fr Rick described how a good activity would be Advent Wreath building. Marg encouraged the involvement of all the groups at the Parish, the Youth, Restored Order, and CWL</li> <li>○ Elaine returned to the conversation about the concrete way that the Pastoral Council will communicate with the Parish as a whole – what will that look like? Will there be PowerPoint slides on a weekly basis? What will the leadership be doing?</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Current Focus: How do we make our big parish feel small <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Small Group Development</li> <li>○ Perhaps there was discussion in the last group that would have more accurately fit into this category, but there was a lot of healthy discussion that went back and forth.</li> <li>○ Maybe it also happened after the AGM discussion: things are hard, but keep them personal. The goals are a marathon and not a sprint.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Annual General Meeting Prep <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Lisa described how the goal of the Pastoral Council is advisory, and so there is no need to have people fill vacant positions if there is no committee behind that. People can come and serve the council, but don't necessarily need some sort of title to be on it. Members at large are voices on the council that allow other viewpoints and personalities.</li> <li>○ The vacancies will be published this weekend, in anticipation of the AGM on March 17, but there doesn't have to be these positions. There just needs to be voices.</li> <li>○ Jocelyn asked how we are communicating to the Parish that these members of large positions are available? Lisa admitted that this description is lacking. Marjorie admitted that there has to be personal invitation. Leanne mentioned making an announcement, but Fr Rick described how there is little excitement about those kind of announcements. Arlene suggested that if it was clear that there wasn't a huge commitment for the meetings, maybe there wouldn't be such hesitation, but Marjorie suggested that people should be coming to the meetings. Danica said that inputs are different than meetings. And if people are coming for inputs, maybe do the inputs, then do the rest of meeting so that the people coming for input don't have stay the whole time. The problem is a lack of understanding what is happening at Pastoral Council meetings. It's hard to get engaged when there is a lack of certainty about what is going on. Lisa asked: how do we do that? How do we make this clear for people.</li> <li>○ <b>People should come to the AGM as representatives of the Pastoral Council</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
5	Next Meeting	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Although March 27 is a busy time for everyone, there will still be a 90 minute meeting, focussing exclusively on discussion about small groups.</li> </ul>	
6	Closing Prayer	Fr Rick

### Action Items

Item No.	Action Required	Responsibility	Due Date	Status
1	Concretely form a plan for the Families praying for Families	Danica	None	
2	<b>Showing up to the AGM as representatives of Pastoral Council</b>	All	March 18	

### Next Meeting

Scheduled Date and Time		
27 March 2018 – 7:30pm (?? Holy Week?)		