

## Parish Council Notes: March 11, 2019

- **Parish Council Mission Statement**
  - Want to work on vision statement during our April Meeting
    - Anna to print out materials for this process
  - Will send out notes on vision/mission to the parish council team
  - Next meeting will be **Monday, April 8 at 7pm**
- **New Parish Council Members**
  - We need 3 new members on Parish Council for next year. Any thoughts you have, please share with the council.
- **Renew My Church – New Staffing Process**
  - We need to evolve our idea of the church “staff” to a new vision led by Father Frank
  - Dean is retiring at the end of the summer/Rebecca O. is leaving in June
  - We will be hiring for a shared role between St. Teresa and St. Vincent DePaul. Will be called the Director of Operations (administrative). The business operator, facility operator and would manage all of the ministry staff.
  - Director of Evangelization & Adult Ministry (ministerial role) formation will be an additional new role that will be only for St. Teresa’s.
  - The diocese will aid us in finding the right people for these positions.
    - Note: There may be significant changes in job descriptions.
  - We currently have 5 full staff here at St. Teresa
- **Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>**
  - Offertory increase
  - Need to consider doing a phone drive to
- **New Church Display Screens**
  - Want to combine the screens that are in the gathering space with the ones that are in the church. Going to get rid of the projection/overhead in the Parish Center. Hope is to have this be a smart system that includes lighting, blinds, etc. that can be managed by an app. Will be used for liturgies, presentations, workshops, etc.
  - Approximate cost will be 50K
- **Lent/Easter Schedule**
  - Palm Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>: Easter Traditions following 10-12 with brunch
  - Mindful Catholic: 1-hour workshop. 6:30-7:30 during lent in the religious education area
  - Fridays for Peace: Making rice bowl meals from different parts of the world. Praying for Peace, Fasting for Peace, Almsgiving for Peace. 6:30-7:30 every Friday during lent.
  - Promote, educate, and do anything we have to get parishioners make Holy week a triduum a priority. Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, Easter Sunday (Vigil at 8, 9,12)
  - Adoration 8:30-11:30 on Holy Thursday

- **St. Benedict School Mission**
  - Start a ministry mission to a school on the southside near Englewood
  - 250 kids in the school
  - We will be doing a sharing of resources and will send parishioners for tutoring, counseling as well as some kind of financial support
  - They will be sending their choir on May 5<sup>th</sup> to the 9 & 12 mass
- **Mass Announcements**
  - 5 pm: Luke/Father Frank
  - 9 am: Jess
  - 12 pm: Jaime/Bert
  - 6 pm: Dani
- **Ministry Check-ins**
  - Luke provided an update on the Refugee Ministry
  - Anna provided an update on the Night Ministry

**Parish Council Mass Bullets:**

- The parish council discussed a reformation of the parish staff with some new people joining in the near future. Job descriptions will like evolve for the new roles to accommodate changes in the parish staffing structure and consideration for shared roles with our sister parishes. Father Frank is working closely with the diocese to identify the proper talent for these positions.
- We will be starting a new mission with St. Benedict's school with 250 students located near Englewood. As part of this mission, we will provide tutoring, scholarships, volunteer opportunities, and financial assistance. The school will be sending their choir to St. Teresa's to perform at the 9 am and 12 am mass on May 5<sup>th</sup>.
- On Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, we will be doing a drive to encourage offertory increases. We ask you to thoughtfully consider if you can increase your current contribution.
- We have many lent focused activities between now and Easter that we would love for you to participate in. This includes Mindful Catholic workshops, Fridays for Peace and Easter Traditions activities following Palm Sunday. The Parish Council and Father Frank also encourage everyone to make Holy Week and priority by attending all of our services including Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil/Easter Sunday. Check the bulletin for additional details.

