

Parish Pastoral Council of The Church of Christ the King
Minutes for April 14, 2009 Meeting

Attendees:

Fr. Dale Korogi		
√ Ann Grabiell	√ Don Emond	√ Chick Duffy
√ Barb Kattner	√ Ruthanne LaQua	√ Ray Quinn
√ Jeannie Weber	√ Joe Dolan	√ Paul Zdechlik

Opening Prayer: Jeannie led the opening prayer.

Housekeeping

1. The March 10th meeting minutes were approved as written.
2. The meeting to discuss the concept of a Ministry of the Month was rescheduled to April 27

Discernment Process

1. The discernment process for members to replace those whose terms expire this May (Ann, Don, and Jeannie) continues.
2. New members will be invited to the May PPC meeting as observers and to the retreat and the June 9th barbecue.

Listening Session

The second listening session was held, the purpose being to help stay focused on the mission of our Parish. Representatives from eight ministries met to share information and to help develop a better understanding between ministries.

Ministries and attendees were:

<u>Ministry</u>	<u>Representatives</u>
Catechesis	Kristi Clarkowski
Choir	Terry Nooyen
Greeters/Ushers/Acolytes	Brad Huard could not attend, but provided input that was shared at the meeting
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Cindy Uldrich
Gala	Cindy Uldrich
Hospitality	Rod England
Mom's Group	Jackie Carter
Youth Ministry Board	Mary Johnson, David Hellstrom

Each ministry presented an overview of their ministry to the others. Discussion and questions/answers followed:

1. There is not enough communication between ministries.
 - a. Not all are aware of what is being done.
 - b. Not all are aware of the needs, except those involved in the ministry.
 - c. How do we share the knowledge between ministries?
2. All ministries should be gathered together to recruit volunteers.

3. Brainstorming regarding improving recruitment and information sharing:
 - a. Weekend Mass homily could address Ministry of the Month (MoM) and direct parishioners to a sign-up table.
 - b. Could group similar ministries together for MoM (e.g., Youth Ministry and Catechesis).
 - c. Fr. Dale could invite members of a ministry to stand at the end of weekend Mass for the congregation to bless them and thank them.
 - d. New Member Dinners could spend a few minutes telling about ministries.
 - e. Provide ministry information on a bulletin board or a rack in the gathering space.
 - f. Have a “St. Philip’s Tree” for ministry information/needs.
 - g. Make personal phonecalls requesting volunteers – this is oftentimes more effective than an article in the *Herald*.
 - h. Maintain an on-line calendar.
 - i. People need to know the commitment. Each ministry has its own needs (e.g., Gala is once per year, Mom’s Ministry is every two weeks).
4. Ministries without CTK Staff support are more vulnerable.
5. Need a volunteer coordination team.
6. Need a core of leadership for ministries.
7. There are a lot of people who will help, but not many to lead.
8. Ministries are fun and useful and valuable.
9. The childcare issue is solvable. Could this be a separate ministry of its own?

The PPC members asked for feedback (e.g., email, note, phone call) from the ministries – was this listening session helpful? Should more be held?

Upcoming Dates

May 12: PPC Meeting

June 9: PPC BBQ

Summary of Action Items:

1. All: prepare to discuss Ministry of the Month at May’s meeting.

Closing Prayer: led by Jeannie

Prayers for next meeting: Jeannie, Don