

Sacred Heart Parish Council

Minutes of November 12, 2018 Meeting

In attendance: Fr. Kevin, Carlos Hernandez, Johann Gray, Judy Reed, Mike Trumbull, Robert Ferreira, Kathy Mitcheson

Agenda and notes

- Prayer
- Praise stories: What good things have / are happening?
 - o The recent Fall Festival and the wonderful volunteers were highlighted
 - o Reviewed the Family Faith Festival and discussed briefly why we ended up with only 16 people on the bus. The kind of bus (school rather than coach), possible over publicity, change of venue, and simple lack of interest are possible explanations. In summary, it was worth the try but we'll need to keep the low effectiveness in mind for similar events in the future.
- Ongoing formation time, USCCB document on Stewardship – chapter 2 which focused on Jesus as a model for stewardship. Johann led a short discussion of 3 discussion questions
- Upcoming events
 - o Thanksgiving dinner
 - We do not have much response so far. Fr. Kevin included it in his pre-Mass announcements at all the Masses this past weekend. Discussed that a small number was fine and that we're simply hoping to meet a need.
 - o Advent Mission
 - Monday & Tuesday, Dec. 10 and 11; Fr. Kevin will talk on discerning God's will for your life.
 - o Q & A with Fr. Kevin
 - Fr. Kevin will hold a Q & A in the parish center after the 9:30am Mass on Nov. 25th. This is a trial run to see if there is a need for this type of communication. Fr. thought it might be helpful at this point to offer an opportunity for people to raise questions and that it would be an indication of transparency and accountability. Members of the Council will also participate
- Stewardship of Time and Talent, January 2019
 - o Fr. Kevin laid out a plan for a form stewardship campaign centered on time and talent for the first 3 Sundays in January. The council agreed that it would be a good way to begin promoting stewardship in the parish.
- Courageously Living the Gospel
 - o The group briefly discussed an updated version of our Action Plan which we hope to submit by January 1st. Last month's discussion of increasing Adoration

has been incorporated into the plan and will also be listed as an option in the Time and Talent campaign

- Other business
 - o Next meeting Monday, Jan. 14, 7pm