

Our Lady of Sorrows Parish Pastoral Council
June 5, 2017

Notes

Attending: John Glancy; Fr. Frank Daly; Deacon Frank Tremblay; Mark Dudziak; Anne Marie Dion; Nigel Timothy; Claire Ramsbottom; Kate Mason (notes)

Informing the Parish & the Community of Pastor Change and Summer Mass Schedule:
There are changes to the weekend Mass schedule for the summer and changes to the ongoing daily Mass schedule - both will start July 1.

Changes:

- Summer Mass Schedule July 1 - September 16: Saturday 4:30 p.m.; Sunday 7:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
- Daily Mass Schedule July 1 onward: Daily Mass will be scheduled Wednesday through Friday at 9 a.m.; no Saturday morning Mass. Fr. Daly's days off will be Monday and Tuesday.

Communications:

Suggestions for communicating the changes include:

- Sharon Advocate - Change the Mass times listed to summer hours; change pastor name; change daily Mass schedule
- Sign Outside the church (wooden) - make temporary and permanent changes as needed
- Announcements in bulletin; pulpit; e-newsletter; website
- Lucite signs as you enter the church and in the church halls
- Our Website (myolosparish.org)
- Let parishioners know where there are Masses at other local churches

Will the archdiocese website pick up the Mass schedule changes from our website?

Next Step: John will alert Lynn Jacobs to these suggestions.

Parish cookout: Saturday, July 22

The Parish Cookout is scheduled to Saturday, July 22 after the 4:30 p.m. Mass. in the Rectory backyard. Monica O'Brien will coordinate the picnic.

Summer Coffee Hours?

In the past few years, summer coffee hours were held at the Bullock Center between Masses.

Next Step: John Glancy will check with Monica O'Brien on the coffee hour schedule especially given the summer Sunday Mass schedule (7:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.)

Mass at the Lake: Sunday, September 17, 2017 10 a.m.

The Mass at the Lake is a celebration of the Feast Day of Our Lady of Sorrows. This year it is scheduled for the Sunday in September close to the Feast Day. More details to come! Summer Mass schedule will end after the Mass at the Lake.

CORI requirements from the RCAB

The staff will decide how best to administrate and track CORI forms in our parish.

Shortfall on the Grand Annual Campaign Goal and Immediate Needs (\$50k)

The discussion on the shortfall of Grand Annual Campaign revolved around two topics: filling the shortfall and the process of informing/involving the pastor; the PPC and councils prior to making a parish-wide announcement.

In addition to the current shortfall and repairs needed, there are considerable repairs needed in the rectory as well. Stan Graveline has walked through the rectory with Fr. Daly, developed a list of repairs and estimates and will submit these to the Finance Council with suggestions of priority areas

Next Steps:

Fr. Daly will talk with the finance council on the two topics: developing a communication plan to make the shortfall request more tangible (e.g. \$xx for Painting; \$YY for Parking Lot, etc.) so that parishioners know where the funds are going to be spent and will see the results. Also on involving the PPC prior to general announcements and comms.

Furnishings in the Rectory:

During the year of the Walpole/Sharon Collaborative, the plan was to use the OLOS rectory as an office building rather than a residence. All the furnishings were removed at that time. Fr. Vinnie had his own furnishings but now the rectory is empty except for furnishings in the guest room. The PPC discussed options for furnishing the rectory.

Next step: More discussion is needed on this topic.

Next Steps on Formalizing OLOS Collaborative of One:

Fr. Daley is scheduled to attend Disciples in Mission training over the next several months at the Archdiocese offices. More details to come in the September and October on the development of our parish plan.

Bishop Reed will visit OLOS parish November 1 for a formal "Installation Mass" for Fr. Daly as our pastor.

PPC Membership

Members-at-Large: Nigel, John and Leo are members-at-large and scheduled to transition off the PPC this year. John and Nigel expressed an interest in continuing on the PPC for the next year. John will remain as co-chair of the PPC with Fr. Daly and he will follow-up with Leo. There are several member-at-large positions that are open. The PPC discussed ways to recruit new members that reflect the diversity of our parish.

Next Step: The PPC may include a notice in the bulletin and an announcement from the pulpit seeking new members and will include a brief statement of the history and role of the PPC in our parish. Nigel said we will approach parishioners he knows.

Commissions and Councils on PPC: Claire proposed we consider how best to have each commission and council represented on the PPC. The Finance Council has been providing a quarterly update to the PPC but other councils are not scheduled. We have a few commissions represented at every PPC meeting (Youth Commission and Christian Services) but others are not represented at all (e.g. Liturgy, Relig Ed, etc.).

Next Step: This is a topic to continue in the future.

OLOS Commissions Updates

Youth Commission (provided by AnneMarie Dion) - There are several trips coming up in the next month. There is a Car Wash fundraiser Sunday, June 11 to help raise money for the trips.

Christian Services Commission - CSC (provided by Kate Mason)

- CSC's Reach Out & Read book drive generated 49 new books.
- The travel-size toiletry drive needed on June 4th and Personal Care Kits will be assembled on June 6th. CSC does not have activities planned during the summer.

Next PPC meeting is scheduled for September 6, 2017