

Monthly Meeting Notes 2024

Monthly notes from March 21, 2024

6:30pm

Present: Kathy Goldenstein, Phil Grand, Karen Thompson, Tara Perron, Anthony Minus, Jerald Dosch, Cristina Czaia, Mary Liebl, John Delvechio

Reflection/Prayer: Kathy - quote from St. Pope John XXIII - "I have looked into your eyes with my eyes, I have put my heart near your heart."

Sharing stories of Father Steve's leadership at St. Matthew's and in our lives.

Holy Week Liturgy Needs - Cristina asked the parish council to take the lead in coming forward to have their feet washed at the Holy Thursday services. She was also looking for volunteers to help at the feet washing station. She provided a sign up sheet for the Altar of Repose which will be in the chapel at the close of the Holy Thursday service until 10 pm that night and again on Good Friday from 11 am - 5 pm. Council members were asked to sign up for a time slot. Sign up sheets will be available in the back of church after masses this weekend.

Status updates

- **Task Force** - Karen had handouts of the brainstorming the Task Force has done around Leadership and Culture. The Leadership brainstorming was for both lay and clergy. There was a separate sheet for their recommendations on priest leadership. Council members thought the Task Force was on the right track and to continue their good work.
- **Communication and Marketing** - Focusing on the website. Making progress
- **Youth Group** - A range of ages attending, many parents staying to participate. Next meeting is Sunday, March 24. May work on quilt squares for Father Steve. April meeting Cristina will attend and prepare young people to provide ministry roles at Mother's Day Mass, May 12
- **Welcoming Families/New Members** - Ongoing work. We all need to take the initiative to approach families or new faces and welcome them. Consider translating Fr. Steve, Cristina and Phil's column into Spanish - is there someone we could ask to do this, need to compensate for their time
- **E Panel/Solar** - Ebox will be installed in June after school is finished and before summer school begins. Solar panel proxy is on the Archbishop's desk

Listening Reports

- Question about when the Ebox will be installed. Phil will give a brief April status update about June installation in the bulletin
- Fans from the heat made it hard to hear at mass. Cristina and Alan continue to work on the audio system

Community Response - Father Steve

- Meal train being organized by Stephen and Josie Mike. Will limit the number of people invited to participate for the time being, may open it to the larger community if needed
- Cards in the back of church for people to send to Father Steve
- Community meal - a chance to gather as a community as we process this new development with Fr. Steve. Looking at Saturday, April 13 after the 4:15 mass. Karen has confirmed date with John D and Rosary Society. Possibly have a video photo booth for people to send birthday greetings to him - check with Alan and Peg L
- Visual art piece that could be signed by parishioners and presented to him on his birthday. Kathy will check with Pat Pendleton.

Spiritual Leadership Next Steps

- Once Father Steve submits a resignation letter the Archdiocese will get involved
- Fr. Tom Kommers is set to be with us for the foreseeable future

New Parish Council Members

- Please begin asking people you think would be a good fit on the council and invite them to the April Council meeting - April 25 @ 6:30 pm
- Announcement in the bulletin and before Mass
- Listening Sunday is a good weekend to make a big push
- Isaac Garcia has expressed interest in joining!