

Monthly Meeting Notes 2024

Monthly notes from December 5, 2024

6:30pm

Present: Ralph Brown, Kathy Goldenstein, Phil Grant, Terry Grundtner, Maggie Lee, Katie Quinlan, Ellen Schneider, Karen Thompson, Anthony Minus

Reflection/Prayer: Ralph read a reflection of Father Steve's from the first weekend of Advent 2022.

Status Updates

- **Liaison Reports** - please review
 - Ralph meet with Hannah at Casa, they are still interested in hosting one of our meetings
- **Class of 1974 Reunion** - Around 30 people attended, recognized at mass and had a tour of the school before dinner at Joseph's
- **Youth Group** - 1st meeting was on December 1. Organized donations from Isaac Blessings Bags and stuffed bags for distribution. Many bags were distributed on Monday, December 2 at Loaves and Fishes. Around 8 or 9 attended, many with families. December seems like a good start date and leading off with Isaac Blessing Bags. Still missing the relationship with COS, St. Stans, etc. Becoming more of a Family/Youth Group. Enjoy the service and look to do more service projects. January meeting is Jan 19 - looking at equity and restorative circles
- **ECFFF** - Early Catholic Family Faith Formation training will be here at St. Matthew's on December 14
- **November Giving Thanks Calendar** - We raised a little over \$8700

Listening Reports

- No reports.

Funeral Planning

- Karen distributed the minutes from the last Planning Committee meeting regarding Father Steve's funeral
- Dates and times are set
 - Friday, December 20
 - Arrival of the casket at 3 pm with prayers lead by Father Anthony
 - Visitation from 3 pm until 7 pm
 - Vespers at 7 pm - still waiting to hear if Bishop Kenney will preside
 - Overnight Vigil begins after Vespers and will last until 7 am on Saturday, December 21 - sign up sheet at church this weekend
 - Saturday, December 21
 - Overnight vigil ends at 7 am
 - Set up begins for funeral mass at 7 am

- Visitation resumes at 9:30 am until start of Mass at 11 am
 - Private burial at a later date
- Set up extra chairs in church - tentative date Wednesday December 18 with Faith Formation students
- Set up social hall - all on Wednesday, December 18
- Loaves and Fishes will do a take out meal on Thursday, December 19. Are planning on closing on Friday, December 19. Council asked if they could do a take out meal as well on Friday.
- Planning committee is working on overflow parking at Joseph's with a shuttle to St. Matt's; possible other locations still in the works
- Volunteers needed for outdoor traffic control, indoor traffic control, greeters, ushers, general hospitality
- VIP seating - Karen is working on
- VIP parking - limit it as much as possible to his family, the Archbishop, Fr. Michael Joncas, and Fr. Marty Warren so as to leave parking for parishioners.
- Volunteers working that day should plan to park on the other side of George, other side of Stryker and other side of Winifred
- Working to get livestream up and running and a direct feed of the service to the social hall.
- Asking COS families to watch from COS on the livestream feed
- Cristina is working on the liturgy- she was able to meet with Father last week so she knows what he wanted
- Liturgy Committee will meet again on Monday, December 9 and Planning Committee will meet on Tuesday, December 10
- Watch your emails, website, bulletin for updates

Parish Council Retreat Follow up - Tabled until January

Communication - New Website

- Maggie shared a sneak peak of the new website's front page. It looks awesome
- Special thanks to the committee and Maggie and Cristina for their hard work over the past year to make this happen!

Land Acknowledgement Statement

- Further discussion in coming months

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm