

**Four Pillars in Faith ACC Planning Council Meeting Minutes
January 30th, 2020**

Attendance: Janelle Kunkel, Kris Archibald, Amy Udermann, Katie Kerr, Karen Renaud, Danna Woods, Fr. Derek Wiechmann, Amanda Peterson, Rose Ryan, Sharon Steffen, Lowell Herbst, Arlene Schumacher

Not Present: Chris Kotsmith, Jackie Leveille, Nancy Frerich

Old Business

Communication Survey

The committee reviewed the results of the survey. The bulletin was the #1 communication method. The website and email were very close for both St. Mary's/St. Louis and St. Mary's/St. Kathryn's. Father Derek and Kris Archibald will work together to develop a Facebook page for the ACC. The newsletter that is being sent out to St. Mary's/St. Kathryn's will be put on hold at this time. Discussion about getting information to the home bound was discussed. The newsletter is a nice form of communication for the home bound of St. Mary's/St. Kathryn's, but maybe we can mail the homebound a copy of the bulletin.

Action Item:

- ✓ Father Derek will talk with Randi Yankowiak about mailing the St. Mary's/St. Kathryn's bulletin to the home bound of those parishes.

One Shared ACC Bulletin

There is enthusiasm surrounding one bulletin. It would allow for a central way to consistently communicate and see what is happening at each parish. Parishioners can then attend mass at any parish in the ACC and not miss their parish bulletin. The first step in this process is to get the website up and running.

New Business

ACC Photo Directory

Discussion was had surrounding an ACC directory. Amy Udermann shared a few things that have changed with LifeTouch since the last time they had a church directory made. If interested in more information, check out their website at <http://churchdirectories.lifetouch.com>. Father Derek would like a committee formed to organize the development of the directory. One ACC committee representative from each parish and then another parish member from each church. Janelle Kunkel volunteered from St. Kathryn's, Danna Woods from St. Mary's – Mora, Amy Udermann will find a representative from St. Louis and someone from St. Mary's – Milaca will also be asked.

Action Item:

- ✓ Father Derek would like to be in touch with the members of this committee when it is formed.

Mission Statement

Father Derek shared the ACC Mission Statement:

“The Four Pillars in Faith Area Catholic Community, grounded and united in our love of Jesus Christ, seeks to know, love, and serve God through sacraments, prayer, education, hospitality, stewardship, and evangelization of our communities.”

The mission statement was shared with Brenda Kresky along with our strategic plan. Father Derek has not received any feedback on the plan.

ACC Website

Kris is working on gathering information from all 4 parishes. She wants it to have all the information from each parish before it goes live. We want it to be very well developed so that parishioners will find the information they need the first time they visit it and want to come back. Online giving was also discussed and St. Louis/St. Mary's – Milaca have a nice method for collecting online payments.

Action Item:

- ✓ Father Derek will contact LPI and see if a representative could come and meet with the staff of each parish.

Youth Minister

This is something Father Derek hasn't really pursued but mentioned the Castaway retreat. Cast Away – 9-12 grade retreat in Detroit Lakes, MN in March, spread the word. Net Ministry was also discussed, and we talked about providing information on these youth gatherings on the church websites.

Next meeting is scheduled for: Thursday, May 7th at 7:00p.m.

Location: St. Louis Bertrand, Foreston