

TRI-PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

September 23, 2019

7:00 PM at ST. JOSEPH-OLNEY

Present: Wayne Kocher, Cathy McDowell, Jeffrey Rosenburg, Vickie Stuckey, Kurt Ginder, Matt Zuber, Carl Will, Gregg Weber, Tony Kuentler, Kevin Blank, Heather Blank, Cindy Blank, Sherry Geier, Sheryl Klingler, Donna Zwilling, Brian Ochs, Mary Zwilling, Pat Elie, Austin Zwilling, Fr. Mark Stec, Fr. Brett Judkins

Opening Prayer

The first item addressed was a letter from Bishop Braxton dated August 6, 2019 concerning mass shootings and how they affect our Churches and worship experiences. No action will be taken at this time.

Liturgy and Worship

- Baptisms-can be celebrated during a regularly scheduled Mass or outside of Mass on the Third Sunday of each month following the 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Lawrence; the 10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph, Olney; or at 12:00 noon at St. Joseph, Stringtown or Holy Cross, Wendelin. Those taking part in the Baptism are asked to attend mass on the day of their child's Baptism.

Mass schedule among all 4 parishes have been posted and are as follows:

- 4:00 p.m. Saturday St. Lawrence, Lawrenceville
- 5:00 p.m. Saturday St. Joseph, Olney
- 7:30 a.m. Sunday St. Joseph, Stringtown
- 8:30 a.m. Sunday Holy Cross, Wendelin
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday St. Lawrence, Lawrenceville
- 10:30 a.m. Sunday St. Joseph, Olney

Holiday Mass schedule:

- 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 24 St. Joseph, Olney
- 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 24 St. Lawrence, Lawrenceville
- 10:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 24 Holy Cross, Wendelin
- 11:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 24 St. Joseph, Stringtown
- 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, December 25 St. Joseph, Olney
- 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, December 25 St. Lawrence, Lawrenceville
- 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, December 25 Holy Cross, Wendelin

- 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 31 Holy Cross, Wendelin
- 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 31 St. Joseph, Olney
- 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, January 1 St. Joseph, Stringtown
- 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, January 1 St. Lawrence, Lawrenceville

November and December Holy Day Mass times will be printed on the calendar and in the bulletins.

St. Joseph, Olney has requested a Mass time change on October 20 for their Smorgasboard. Holy Cross, Wendelin has agreed to switch Mass times on that Sunday.

Faith Formation

- Adult Faith Formation(per Caroline Trimble report)
 - Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesday's mornings after Mass- SJO
 - Women's Spirituality Group - SJO- 1st & 2nd Monday's-Room B
 - Journey through the Bible Wednesday afternoons- 1-2pm – Sept 11 - Oct 30
 - Tuesday Nite Theology- *TnT*- begins Oct 1-SJO-6:30 pm-MPR room-

- Sunday Scripture Reflection-Word of the Week- *(copies by bulletins and on the website)*
- PSR Classes(per Caroline Trimble report)
 - PSR Holy Cross and Home-Based Catechesis begins October 2 with Opening Mass
 - New Additions to PSR: *Ashley Hinterscher-CRE Holy Cross- will oversee the onsite PSR program: PSR Newsletter will be offered to parents: 4th Sundays will be PSR Mass Sunday - it will rotate amongst the 3 parishes*
- Catholic Youth Ministry
 - High School Religion-coming to a close
 - Open Gym-one has been held with good attendance
 - Mission Trip-will be in June to Nebraska or Nashville; working to put together a 7th and 8th grade trip, as well.
 - NCYC convention-will attend in November

Community Life

Common Catholic Activities-no new activities planned at this time. All Parishioners are invited to share ideas with Fr. Mark, Fr. Brett, Caroline Trimble, or any Pastoral Council member.

Governance

Pastor-Relationship with St. Lawrence-their Church has already combined the Catholic Churches in St. Francisville and Bridgeport, both of which were suppressed. St. Lawrence is not presently a part of our Tri-Parish Partnership. Future decisions will be made based on many factors.

Implementation of the Next Step-nothing to report at this time.

Additional Items in Caroline Trimble's Pastoral Associate Report September 2019:

- Tri-Parishes-Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima for Vocations
- FlockNote-It continues to grow with new members - 286 signed - 10 groups
- Spiritual Direction -Significant increase in appointments
 - St. Joseph School-School Prayer Service 9/11; Religion with 7th graders - Studying and Making Rosaries- Learning about Apparitions - Tuesday mornings

Next scheduled Pastoral Council meetings:

- October 28-St. Joseph's Olney
- November 12-St. Joseph's Stringtown
- November 18-Holy Cross Wendelin
- January 27, 2020-Tri-Parish meeting at St. Joseph's Stringtown

Closing Prayer:

A PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD
Diocese of Belleville, Illinois