

Subject: Meeting to Discuss Parish Center and Stewardship Initiatives

Date: April 16, 2015

Attendees: Barb Vite, Archdiocesan Stewardship
Brian Wildt, HT Pastoral Council Chair
Paul Dean, HT Finance Council
Lisa Heltemes, HT Annual School Fund Campaign
Jim Wessing, HT Stewardship Chair

Staff present: Father Ed, HT Pastor and Ms. Jodi Casetta, HT Principal

Father lead group in prayer asking God for guidance and wisdom as these Councils and Committees discuss longer term planning for the betterment of all Holy Trinity parishioners.

Archdiocesan Input

Barb reported that the Commission recommended Holy Trinity's completed Form A for signature by Archbishop ListECKI. The Building Commission is excited for Holy Trinity parishioners; especially that we have such generous and committed donors. Paul reported that Holy Trinity is currently running about a \$36,000 deficit as of February, 2015.

Next step is to complete a Feasibility Study. This is completed by an independent firm. The James Company is a possible firm to use for this Feasibility Study. Group recommended Pastoral Council proceed with a Feasibility Study. This will include sending RFQ's to several companies. These companies will submit a proposal; be interviewed by Pastoral Council; and then best company will be contracted by Holy Trinity.

Barb recommended that Holy Trinity Building Committee review best sites on HT campus for location of Parish Center and suggested that a 2016 construction start date is reasonable. Also recommended was that HT parishioners and Building Committee think about this project meeting Holy Trinity needs for the next 20-25 years.

Holy Trinity Parish Update

Father reported that baptisms are up, Parish membership has increased, and last year he had 3 marriages and this year he already has 14 weddings scheduled in his calendar. Father said that most Masses are full and he felt that we have a vibrant community of parishioners who are committed to Holy Trinity's future. Father has been asked by his Dean to reduce his Mass schedule with what the Archdiocese has determined is best. Therefore, after May, 2015, the 5:30 pm Mass will be eliminated.

Holy Trinity School Update

Jodi reported that HT School enrollment continues to increase from 92 students in the 2013-14 school year, to 102 students in 2014-15 school year. Since the start of school, Jodi reported 3 more students have joined HT School, so current enrollment is at 105 students. HT School has K3-8 classes, parents are active, parents are passionate, and there is tremendous respect from the children. Jodi also reported that she felt children were happy, worked hard and the environment fostered creative and innovative learning.

CCD and CYE Update

Father reported that there are about 30 more children and young adults in our CCD and CYE classes. He is teaching one of the classes and enjoys this greatly. Confirmation is this coming weekend and will be done by the Archbishop. Last year 20 students received Confirmation and this year 36 students will be confirmed.

Stewardship Update

Barb reported that our next step is the creation of a Stewardship Committee. This should be organized in Fall, 2015. It should have diversity and include members that represent HT staff, our youth and young adults, Christian formation, Pastoral Council, School and CCD/CYE. Barb also recommended that Holy Trinity design and implement a comprehensive Stewardship Plan once the committee has been formed.

Database

Barb recommended a review of Holy Trinity database. This includes ability to have data from parishioners, family members, names & ages, telephone, and email addresses. Archdiocese can provide recommendations of other parishes that Holy Trinity can benchmark against for best practices.

Major Campaign Schedule

The following was recommended to Pastoral Council as a campaign schedule.

Social Fest	May-August, 2015
HT School Annual Fund	September-1 st Week of October, 2015
Advanced Offertory Program	2 nd Week of October – Thanksgiving, 2015
Parish Center Capital Campaign	Spring, 2016

Father closed this meeting with a prayer of thanksgiving, thanking all for their love of our Father and for their dedication and devotion to Holy Trinity parish, our parishioners and our community.

“Close Your Eyes and allow yourself to be immersed in the Love of God”