

# Holy Trinity Parish Pastoral Council January 15, 2025 (7:00PM)

#### **Participants:**

**Parish Staff:** 

Fr. Kevin Gillespie

Christopher Dake (Development) (via Zoom)

Nick Rosenberger (HTS)

Parishioners attending:

Paula McCabe

Mike Gerwin (via Zoom)

Patricia Evan (via Zoom)

Maureen Lorenzetti (via Zoom)

Ellen Shafer (via Zoom)

**PPC Members:** 

John Brain (via Zoom)

Frank Butler (via Zoom)

Judith Bunnell

Roly Díaz

Jennifer Dorsey

Jim Hennessey

Rob Johansson (Vice President)

Gail Louis (President)

Malcolm McCloskey

Jacquie Mooney

**Kerry Porter** 

Paul Ravenscroft (via Zoom)

- 1. Opening Prayer (Jennifer Dorsey)
- 2. Welcome and Introductions (Gail Louis)

5 minutes

3. Parishioner Open Forum

5 minutes

- Several questions about February 2 listening session logistics
- 4. Logistics -Parishioner Session February 2<sup>nd</sup>

20 minutes

- Two sessions: 10:15am (Trinity Hall) and 4pm (online) Discussion will be about the actual Holy Trinity BLM Banner --- not the banner policy in general. Questions are being developed.
- Volunteers from the Social Justice Ministry will be leading a Synod format tables of 8-10 people to discuss the questions developed.
- The volunteers led by Bob Stump will be utilizing restorative justice techniques as well as a synodal process to generate conversation and discernment.
- PPC reps will be scribes.

## 5. Pastor's Report

20 minutes

- Tabitha is moving on in two weeks. A job placement ad (Admin Asst. for Fr. Kevin) describing the position in the e-letter now.
- Fr. Kevin reported back from last weekend's pilgrimage to Montgomery and Selma. Fr. Kevin and
  parishioners heard from many powerful accounts of that time and situation. Also heard about
  what is happening today with the churches and current situations in the efforts towards equality
  in the U.S.

- Right in-line with the Jubilee year calling for us to be pilgrims for hope.
- Prayer service this coming Wed for LGBQT+ with Wilton Gregory in St. Ign Chapel.
- Friday night --- interfaith meeting for MLK memorial. Fr. Kevin will be there and all invited to Washington Hebrew Synagogue.
- Friday night dinner and prayer walk with teen group --- march across Key Bridge coordinated by the teen group.
- The Capital campaign planning phase kicked off with identification of campaign objectives (through the end of March). Then will begin engagement with Parishioners to support those plans and objectives. Proposed campaign dates --- seeking pledge commitments over a three-to-five-year period. Will spend 24 months securing pledge commitments.

## 6. President's Report

20 minutes

- There will be another Synodal Reading opportunity on Jan 21<sup>st</sup> for the church --- go to them for PPC if you wish. Zoom in to get a firm understanding of how we will be helping. There will be four sessions.
- More details -- in last Wednesday's E-letter. 630 to 730 pm by zoom next Tuesday. Richard Coll will be running them.
- Survey ready to send out to committees from Kerry, Judith, and Jim.
- Volunteers for reviewing the elections beginning --- Jim/Judith/Jennifer/Jacqui will sit on it.
- 7. Old business 5 minutes
  - Judith discussed the sub-committee about by-laws review. (Frank will also join and several others)
  - Banner policies will be discussed later --- after the Feb 2 meeting and after we receive feedback.
- 8. New business 5 minutes
  - Initiate outreach for new PPC members.
  - Cardinal Gregory will be leaving and Cardinal McIlroy coming. HTC will be giving him a model statue from outside of Chapel --- this wed.
  - Is there an opportunity for a PPC letter or endorsement goodbye or welcome?
  - Are there plans for Pres. Joe Biden as he leaves?
  - See NPR did a story on President Biden and HTC this past weekend: https://www.npr.org/2025/01/11/nx-s1-5256937/biden-pope-francis-medal-of-freedom
- 9. Closing Prayer (Jennifer Dorsey)

#### Next meeting: February 19, 2025

Opening Prayer — Jacqui Mooney Closing Prayer — Paul Ravenscroft Food — Paul Ravenscroft Beverages — Paul Ravenscroft Minutes — Rob Johansson