

CCBC Pastoral Council Minutes

January 16, 2018

The Catholic Churches of Barber County Pastoral Council held its regular quarterly meeting at 7:00 p.m. on January 16, 2018. Chairperson Kay Koger called the meeting to order with members Father Firmin, Diane Seiler, Bev Miller, Marlene Kruckenburg, John Forester, Rayann Rucker, and Anne Schreiner present. Rob Paxson, Darren Hern, and secretary Walinda Arnett were absent.

Father Firmin began the meeting by leading the council in the Our Father. The minutes of the October 2017 meeting were approved.

Parish Reports:

Parish representatives reported on their activities since the last meeting. Bev also reported that St. John will have a Mardi Gras Party/Parish Dinner on February 11th after Mass, with parishioners asked to bring dessert or salad.

Report of Father Firmin:

Father asked for assistance with the diocesan request for information about faith-building activities in each parish in 2017. Each parish reported holding communal penance services in Lent and Advent, several parishioners participating in the Diocesan ITV classes, and conducting PSR classes for school-age children. St. John reported an adult study group met before Mass for part of the year.

Father also consulted the council to complete updates to the Protecting God's Children volunteers list for the diocese.

New Business:

Bev reported several leads for website sponsorships.

Kay presented information about a parish-wide study available through our Formed subscription called "A Lent to Remember." Several council members expressed interest in implementing the program in each parish.

The council discussed services for Lent and Easter and set the following schedule.

Ash Wednesday services will be at Sharon at 8:30 a.m.; at Kiowa at 6:00 p.m.; at Medicine Lodge at 7:30 p.m.

Stations of the Cross and Mass during Lent will be held regularly on Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. at Medicine Lodge; on Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. at Kiowa; and on Fridays at 5:30 p.m. at Sharon. Wednesday Stations and Mass will be at 5:30 p.m. and will be split between Medicine Lodge and Sharon. Wednesday, February 21st will be at Medicine Lodge. There will be none on February 28th because of Confirmation at Holy Rosary. Stations and Mass will resume on Wednesday,

March 7, at Sharon with a penance service immediately following. On March 14, Stations, Mass, and a penance service will be at Medicine Lodge. Stations and Mass will be at Sharon March 21st and 28th. The date for a penance service at Kiowa will be announced later.

On March 29, Holy Thursday Mass will be at Sharon at 6:00 p.m. Good Friday liturgy will be held at 1:00 p.m. at Sharon; 6:00 p.m. at Kiowa; and 7:30 p.m. at Medicine Lodge. The Easter Vigil Mass will be at 8:00 p.m. at Sharon. Easter Sunday Masses will be at 8:30 a.m. in Medicine Lodge and 10:30 a.m. in Kiowa.

The next meeting will be held April 17th at 7:00 p.m. at Medicine Lodge.

Father led the council in a closing prayer.