



Welcome Committee Minutes
Prince of Peace Parish
March 13, 2023
6:30 p.m.

The POP Welcome Committee held their in-person meeting at POP church on Monday evening, March 13. Meeting attendees included: Deacon Jeff Prickette, Judy Garot, Karen Prevost, Jerry & Linda Duchaine, Anne Kulhanek, Rosella Hill, Virginia Goral, Mary Kay Rukamp and Phyllis John. Unable to attend were Kody Hansen, Office Manager, Dennis Rukamp Michael Goral and Mary Thibodeau.

Meeting was called to order by Phyllis John, Chair. Deacon Jeff started meeting with a short prayer.

Discussed new membership dinner for parish members who joined the parish from October 1, 2022, thru March 31, 2023, that is scheduled for Sat., April 22, 2023, immediately following 4:30 p.m. Mass. Also included are office staff and committee chair people, as well Welcome Committee members.

Event will be held in the parish fellowship hall. A hot meal will include a grilled/baked chicken meal from Renard's. Dessert, coffee, milk, and water will be included.

It was decided that the new membership dinner will be held semi-annually rather than quarterly going forward. The next new membership dinner will be held on Saturday, October 21, 2023, in the fellowship hall. The Welcome Committee will host coffee/donuts Sunday during the timeframe between September and April during the year. This event will be conjunction with the assistance of the Social Committee.

All future committee meetings and event dates will need to be reserved by contacting Kody Hansen, Office Manager, at least six months in advance.

The Welcome Committee budget and calendar of events for the fiscal year starting July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, were reviewed and approved as of March 13, 2023. A copy committee budget and calendar of events will be submitted to Office Staff, Kim Hermans, Kody Hansen, Diane Fidler and Marsha Loritz prior to the deadline date of April 1, 2023.

Committee discussed the welcome tent at future parish picnics. Discussion took place on doing some type of handout(s) day of picnic. Phyllis will check with picnic committee chair as to status. A suggestion was made that Welcome Committee members wear their name tag and take the opportunity to volunteer in other areas as needed. In 2022, committee volunteers handed out flyers before and after the 10 a.m. Mass that refer to events taking place on the picnic grounds. Another suggestion that picnic grounds flyer be handed out prior to the Saturday, 4:30 p.m. Mass and 10 a.m. Mass on Saturday, August 12 and Sunday, August 13.

Committee members addressed the new member dinner invites immediately following meeting and will be mailed out during the week of March 27th.

Being no other business for discussion, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Motion carried.

Submitted by: *Phyllis John*, Committee Chair