

OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS
PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL
QUARTERLY UPDATE - 1ST QUARTER,
2019



The OLS Parish Pastoral Council consists of 12 members whose mission is to represent the parishioners and assist the pastor in matters related to the parish. *

The following is a summary of the most recent business conducted by the OLS Parish Pastoral Council for the 1st Quarter March 31st, 2019:

- ❖ Post Baptismal-Holy Family Outreach – PPC members were provided with an update on this important ministry. The purpose of this outreach effort is to encourage families whose children have recently been baptized at Our Lady of the Snows to continue participation in the spiritual life of the parish. The Post Baptismal Holy Family Outreach Ministry began in July of 2015. The Post Baptismal- Holy Family Outreach Ministry is currently sending “Welcome Letters” and “Anniversary Letters” to the families of the newly baptized.
- ❖ PPC members were updated on various activities related to the Youth Outreach goal. The Youth Group is in a temporary hiatus. The Parish Council together with the Pastor, Fr. McBrien, continue to explore opportunities to engage the youth of the parish and their families towards the goal of continuing faith formation, instilling a service ethic and also having fun.
- ❖ The Leadership Committee is working with the ministries, societies, organizations, and clubs (MSOCs) in the parish. The Leadership Committee helps the various organizations in the parish to identify future leaders, define goals and objectives, and increase participation. The Leadership Committee continues to meet with the current leaders of the various MSOCs to accomplish these goals. The Leadership Committee is finalizing a template to showcase current MSOC members to generate interest in attracting new membership.
- ❖ PPC Lenten Project – The PPC Lenten Project, “No Greater Love”, will benefit the war veterans living in St. Albans VA Medical Center. Vinyl sport packs are provided for parishioners. Each week during lent commencing on March 10th and concluding on March 31st the sport packs are to be filled with various articles outlined in the parish bulletin. The sport packs are to be delivered to the church in the gathering space on April 6th and 7th. Thank you for your almsgiving.
- ❖ Ministry Brochures - A rack containing ministry brochures is located in the gathering space. These informative brochures contain information about the ministries, societies, organizations, and clubs operating in the parish. Contact information is provided in each of the brochures if you need more information or are interested in participating in any of the ministries, societies, organizations, and clubs.
- ❖ The Parish Council is reviewing and updating goals and objectives. Input from parishioners regarding issues and ideas are always welcome.

*For more information about OLS Parish Pastoral Council, please visit the OLS Parish Website:
www.olsnows.org