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PARISHPASTORALCOUNCIL
QUARTERLYUPDATE
2NDQUARTER, 2023*

The OLS Parish Pastoral Council consists of 11 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 2023.

- Post Baptismal-Holy Family Outreach encourages families whose children have recently been baptized at Our Lady of the Snows to continue participation in the spiritual life of the parish. From April 1 to the end of June, the Post Baptismal Outreach sent 16 welcome letters to families, and 10 letters to commemorate baptismal anniversaries. Baptismal classes are held on the second Wednesday of each month, and baptisms are celebrated on the third and fourth Sundays of the month. Preparation and services have now resumed to pre-pandemic schedules.
- The Youth Ministry led by Ninane Boscia, OLS Youth Director, continues to meet with the youth every other Wednesday evening. The Youth Ministry currently has 11 members and have fun at their meetings, and they did have bingo at the Glen Oaks Nursing Home with the residents. It was a good experience for the youth and the elderly.
- The Council has continued to explore areas of evangelization by continuing with the robocalls currently by Father McBrien. There will be other members of the Parish who will be making robocalls. Robocalls are reaching 1400 homes. There is also a proposition for the clergy to return visiting and blessing homes of OLS parishioners.
- The Lenten Project was a success and there is an interest to revive Pennies for Life. The Respect for Life committee is needed to help focus on this project.
- The parish celebrated its 75th anniversary May 7th at Antun's in Queens Village. The celebration was a success and over 200 people attended. The journal was well received and there is a demand for more copies.
- The parish welcomes the safe return of Father Peter, Deacon Kevin, Lisa Kelly and other parishioners from the Holy Land.
- Council members have been in contact with leaders from the ministries, societies, organizations and clubs in the parish for updates. We are fortunate to have such a robust selection of groups to engage all interests. If you would like to learn more about becoming involved, each group has a brochure in the gathering space with further information.
- The Parish Council reviews and updates goals and objectives on an on-going basis. Input from parishioners with ideas and suggestions are always welcome via email: ppc.olsfp@gmail.com