

## **Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes**

Thursday October 3, 2019 @ 8:00 PM

Downstairs Conference Room

### **Attendance:**

Present: Gayle Hotchkiss, John Breiten, Roger Kemman, George Riesselmann, Nichole Ferrera, Lori Sennett, Amy Jacobson, Kathy Schmidt, Debbie Leach

Staff: Randy Gracyalny, Trevor Seivert, Father Mike, Laura Warzecha, Cassandra Letcher, Sela Mejia

Excused: Rob Olsen, Deb Burns, Charity Mulenga

### **Opening Prayer:**

Fr. Mike

Sunday Gospel reading LK 17: 5-10 and faith sharing

### **Approval of Agenda:**

General Approval

### **Approval of Minutes:**

General Approval

### **Maintenance to Mission:**

### **Commission Reports:**

#### **Liturgy Commission:**

- Christmas Masses being considered:
  - Christmas Eve 5 PM & Midnight Mass
  - Christmas 9 AM (No 10:30 )
- Most parishioners attend on Christmas Eve masses

#### **Pastoral Care Commission**

- Separation of Pastoral Care Committees has increased attendance
  - Two big meeting a year are planned
- Reports will be given to Laura and Fr. Mike monthly
- Respite Care: 34 hours were given by the team in September
- Seasons of Hope (grief ministry) beginning now and throughout the rest of the year

#### **Education Commission:**

##### **School:**

- Parent Teacher Conference coming up /discussion by teachers to keep to the schedule if possible
- Wreath orders due 10/4. Delivery tentatively scheduled for weekend before Thanksgiving

- Trunk n' Treat/Boo Bash October 27<sup>th</sup> setup starting 1 PM in school back parking lot
- Professional Learning Committee (PLC)
  - Reviewing Curriculum to match standards
  - Data driven

**Child Care:**

- Parking Lot Drop-Off construction complete great reviews by parents
- Back porch and garden wall work finished/ some small inside projects scheduled
- Two (2) new staff were hired

**Faith Formation:**

**(Rob Olsen continues on medical leave/ Jean Nosek and OLA Are helping were needed) Prayers for his recovery**

- 60 students have signups for High School, half are attending at this time
- Looking for recommendation for Service Hours for students in Confirmation program (Talk with Sela / youth minister)
- Confirmation Retreat will be November 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>
- Grades 1-8 classes began last week /all teaching positions filled
- RCIA: 6 – 7 candidates/ sessions begin October 13<sup>th</sup>

**Parish Life & Stewardship:**

- Reviewed Fall Festival results (See Ongoing Business)
  - \* Estimated Net of \$39,000
  - \* Reviewing possible improvements
- First Fish Fry Oct-4. Volunteers always needed.

**Social Justice:**

- Advocacy letters will be starting in Bulletin soon/ Monthly Issues based on US Bishop's recommendations
- Sister Parish/ St. Joan of Arc Annual Collection October 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>, Goal \$2500

**Finance Commission (Roger Kemman):**

- Offertory collection is down \$15K
- Finance Council has projected a budgeted deficit of \$64K in 2019
- Too soon to determine a pattern (September offering/collection was up)
- 2020 pledges will help determine giving trend
- Expenses are in line with budget

**New Business:**

- *In search of* a person to fill Faith Formation Director in Rob's absence

## **On-Going Business**

- All major campus projects for the year are completed.
- **Fall Festival Review**
  - o Est. Raffle Net \$26,500 /not sure why \$4k lower than 2018
  - o Est. Tent Net: -\$300. More sponsorships resulted in less loss
  - o Est. Silent Auction Net \$11K. Higher net this year on fewer items
  - o Est. Pancake Breakfast Net \$1800.
    - Good attendance with expanded hours, \$1 increase and more sponsorship resulted in a \$1000 increase over 2018
  - o \$49K Festival budget being reviewed
    - Considering changing band hours from 7-10 PM to 6-9 PM
    - Sela suggested more signage at each venue to promote other festival events
    - Mostly positive comments for Online Bidding

## **Good of the Parish**

- Cleanliness of school noted during festival, Hat's off to Les!
- Kids really sing well at school mass, complements to Jackie Doyle school music teacher.
- Child Care drop off area received many positive comments.

## **Closing Prayer:**

- Kathy

## **Next Meeting:**

- November 7, 2019, 8:00 PM