

## **Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes**

Thursday January 9, 2020 @ 7:30 PM

Downstairs Conference Room

### **Attendance:**

Present: Gayle Hotchkiss, John Breiten, Roger Kemman, George Riesselmann, Nichole Ferrera, Lori Sennett, Amy Jacobson, Kathy Schmidt, Deb Burns, Charity Mulenga  
Staff: Randy Gracyalny, Trevor Seivert, Father Mike, Laura Warzecha, Cassandra Letcher, Sela Mejia, Marianne Giovingo

Excused: Debbie Leach

### **Opening Prayer:**

Fr. Mike

Gospel reading Mt 3:13-17 & Reflections on Baptism

### **Approval of Agenda:**

General Approval

### **Approval of Minutes:**

General Approval

### **Maintenance to Mission:**

- Bishop Hying has asked each parish to have Evangelization as a top priority as we prepare to celebrate the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Madison Diocese

### **Commission Reports:**

#### **Liturgy Commission:**

- New Christmas Eve/Day Mass schedule worked well  
Plan to use the same schedule next year
- Looking at ordering additional Christmas Crèche figures

#### **Pastoral Care Commission**

- Pastoral Care report listed the number of people served in December
- In-service on dementia was held on January 7<sup>th</sup> with excellent information given
- Seasons of Hope grief ministry starts its next sessions on Jan 16<sup>th</sup>
- 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders from school will be sending out Valentine's cards to the homebound parishioners

#### **Education Commission:**

##### **School:**

- Catholic Schools Week January 26 – 31 with daily activities and themes
- Open House January 26<sup>th</sup> 9 AM to Noon
- All school Mass January 26<sup>th</sup> 10:30 AM
- 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Retreat January 26<sup>th</sup>

**Faith Formation:**

- Frassati Fest Jan. 31-Feb. 2 (5) Students, (2) Chaperones attending
- Religious Education
  - Jan 8: Catechist Formation
  - Jan 15: Classes resume
  - Jan 26: 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Parents Meeting
  - Jan 26 & Feb 6: Circle of Grace being taught
- RCIA classes resume January 15<sup>th</sup>
- Adult Faith Formation 2 sessions per week March 1<sup>st</sup> through 29<sup>th</sup>
- Baptism Prep Jan 18<sup>th</sup> & the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday every other month

**Child Care:**

- Event cancelled
- Now fully staffed.

**Parish Life & Stewardship:**

- Discussion of how to tie in Confirmation student's service hour requirements into Fish Fry, Fall Festival and school sporting events
- Still looking for a parish volunteer coordinator

**Social Justice:**

- Planning Housing & Homelessness presentation for April 28<sup>th</sup>  
Local presenters with invitations to all area churches

**Finance Commission (Roger Kemman):**

- Collection envelopes about \$25,000 lower than budget, however, December was a very good month
- 2020 pledges: 377 pledges made/ for \$595,329 total
- Expenses are in line with budget
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**New Business:**

- Cluster Meeting April 23, 2020 at St. Thomas 6:30 PM

**On-Going Business****Good of the Parish**

- Rob's Christmas tree in church received many wonderful comments
- Father Mike grateful for all the volunteers throughout the year

**Closing Prayer:**

- Father Mike/ led the song "Angels we have heard on high"

**Next Meeting:**

- February 6, 2020, 7:30 PM