

## **Meeting Summary**

**Date of Meeting:** February 12, 2020

**Meeting:** SLDM Parish Council Meeting

**Scribe:** Louie Jorczak

**Attendees:** Father Pat, Father Travis, Steve Schwegman, Patrick Clarke, Chad Greene, Louie Jorczak, Jamie Anderson.

**Absent:** Jeff Oelker, Alan Lessard, Mark Mader, Chad Melloh Scot Boutcher, Jeff Grasser.

### **Agenda Items:**

**1. Opening Prayer:**

- Father Pat led the council in opening prayer.

**2. Discussion – January Retreat.** The retreat was summarized by those who attended. It was determined that the council members would try to think of three people that each would like to share their story of faith with in the hopes of better evangelization for the parish.

**3. Evangelization for Catholics**—this is a program the parish is implementing. The council brainstormed individuals who would be a good fit to attend the conference on behalf of the parish. The parish would like to send ten people. The goal of the program is to help the parish develop better evangelization practices. In determining who would be the best candidates we are looking for a cross-section of the parish. The focus for the evangelization initiative is on Catholics that are not practicing. 1/3 of parishioners come to mass regularly. The other 2/3 are the people we're trying to reach. The idea is to be comfortable telling our own faith/evangelization story, without being heavy-handed. We want the whole parish to get into that kind of mindset. Go beyond those we see every day. We need to make personal relationships to help convert people.

**4. Parish Council Spirituality** – The topic of parish council spirituality was raised. Jamie had the idea to start spirituality topics to discuss at the parish council meetings.

- 5. *No Report on the Parish Priority Plan this month (Jeff Oelker absent).***  
However, the evangelization piece discussed above is part of the parish priority plan.
- 6. *Miscellaneous/Open Forum***—Since there will be a new pastor and associate pastor the idea was discussed to put together a turn-over file. This would include the new parish plan.
- 7. *Parish Council new members.*** Steve Schwegman and Pat Clarke are rolling off. It was determined that an announcement needed placed in the bulletin for a call out for parish council members.
- 8. *Father Pat led the closing prayer.***

Next Meeting –March 11, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.