

## September 14, 2020 Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Kevin Morgan, Jim Moscato, Jacob Rachwal, Warren Ristine, Irene Stranz, Dianne DiPasquale, Joe Herrmann, Drew McNichol, Michelle Brady, Mary Kruszka, Jerry Franz, Deacon Robb Ciezki, Janet Griffin, Deacon Carl Koester, Fr. Art Mattulke, Fr. Pat O'Keefe, Deacon John Wlos, Eileen Lyon

Excused: Sr. Marilyn Dudek, Richard Blake, Jacob Druzvik, Karin Dusza, Leslie Brooks, Jessica Frampton, Judy Shelley, Diane Liptak

Unexcused: Ryan Baker, Robert Sweeney

Meeting was called to order by Irene Stranz at 7:01 pm. The meeting was held in the church for social distancing purposes due to Covid-19.

Opening prayer: Fr. Art Mattulke

Final May 11, 2020 minutes – motion to approve by Janet Griffin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jerry Franz

July 13, 2020 minutes – motion to approve by Drew McNichol, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kevin Morgan

Announcements: Irene gave thanks former members for their leadership and service to the council and parish. New members welcomed and each member introduced him or herself.

### Old Business:

- Upon This Rock – Fr. Art stated we have one more disbursement due our parish in January 2021. No capital campaign is allowable until after receipt of the last disbursement. No official plans yet for any type of capital campaign; collections continue to decrease but we are cognizant of how many people may be struggling financially due to the pandemic consequences
- Mass Sign Ups – Fr. Art reported they are increasing but many continue to show up without reserving spot. Parish website should now have a link to EventBrite so you can reserve a spot online or still call the rectory to do so. Please reserve and spread the word to others who may inquire about it. It is helpful in case mass needs to be moved to the gym due to large number of attendees, an extra mass added, and also in the event contact tracing is needed.
- Living Stone Lawn Signs – there are 5 or 6 still available at the rectory if anyone wants one or knows of someone who would like one. Bring them in before the snow falls to keep them in good shape for reuse. Thanks to all who donated the cost of them, to Drew McNichol and his sister-in-law for the design work, to Jacob Rachwal and all who worked on the project as well as those who are proudly displaying the signs.
- Air Conditioning – Fr. Art explained there is a leak somewhere; under warranty; service comes every week to recharge the system. Once the weather changes and it is shut down, they will trace the location of the leak and repair it. If anyone asks, the ceiling fans are no longer operable or necessary since installation of the A/C. They only push hot air down, defeats the purpose, and there is not even a button to turn them on anymore.
- Church Cleaning – Fr. Art thanked the many amazing volunteers who have stepped up and asks for more volunteers as all pews, door handles, bathrooms need to be cleaned between masses. The men's room in the back of the church is open during the week as a unisex restroom because school is in session so the hallway doors are locked and you

cannot reach the bathroom in the hallway that is open on Sundays. Please consider helping and if anyone asks how they can help, let them know this is greatly needed and would be much appreciated.

#### New Business:

- Irene Stranz asked for thoughts on whether to have a PC retreat and how that could be done given the ongoing covid situation. It was mutually agreed by all not to have a retreat for the foreseeable future and to revisit the topic after the new year based on the coronavirus situation.
- Updates to By Laws – VP Joe Hermmann raised several changes/corrections to the By Laws which will be voted on at the next meeting. These included changing the word elected to selected in several spots to conform with procedures for new member selection, updated the formal names of the 4 sub-committees previously agreed upon last year, clarifying secretary duty to maintain list of members and term expiry dates, addition of wording that a quorum is 9 voting members.
- Irene described the 4 sub-committees and asked each voting member to consider which one they would like to join and be ready to make choice at the next meeting; can email secretary Dianne DiPasquale sooner if you would like.
- Fr. Pat spoke about the school reopening and faith formation program. The school has 163 students enrolled for 5 day/week in person instruction. Faith Formation is totally online. Committee reports sent to PC described both in more detail. Fr. Pat thanked our Covid-19 response/reopening committee, our teachers and staff, Sr. Marilyn & Diane Liptak for their tireless efforts. They are looking to hire one person full time whose job would be to continually sanitize high touch surfaces during school hours. Temporarily not filling the loss of the art and music teachers will pay for this position as we prioritize safety during this time of pandemic. The regular cleaning company also cleans in the evenings.
- Fr. Art thanked the pastoral council for the work in securing donations through the 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary which was used to purchase the new church sign recently installed on the front lawn. A hanging section will be added once mass times going forward are determined on a more permanent basis.
- Fr. Art explained that they are aware the church sound system is not working great but we are working on it.
- Irene Stranz advised everyone that the CPR kits each include an adult size and child size one-way valve mask to be able to do CPR safely. They also contain aspirin to be chewed in the event of heart attack.

Motion to adjourn made by Fr. Art.

Closing prayer by Deacon John. The meeting was adjourned at 7:54 pm.

Next meeting: October 19<sup>th</sup> 7:00 in the church. Opening prayer to be said by Irene Stranz.

Submitted by Dianne DiPasquale, Secretary