

**Parish Council Regular Meeting  
St. Catherine of Siena Room  
August 26, 2019, 6:30-8:00 PM**

**Present** – Fr. Del, Rob Cheek, Kevin Link, Dottie Buerger, Rob Giuffre', Nathanael O'Der, Jon Dannemiller, Mike Moran, Dave Limbacher, Andy Chambers.

**Absent** – Nate Chambers, Fr. Alex

**Call to Order:** Andy Chambers read the Gospel read and lead the discussion.

**Minutes:** Approval of May Minutes was postponed.

Approval of July Minutes was moved by Kevin Link seconded by Nathanael O'Der.

Yea:           All

Nay:           None

Discussion: Parish Website access is Fr. Del, Bill Franz & Mary Beth Dawson. Access is being provided to more of our support groups.

Counsel approved the St. Veronica / St. Thomas More ("SVTM") Football Program By-laws.

**Updates from Fr. Del**

- On the first Wednesday of the month, we will have morning pray rather than mass at 9:00 AM. Mass on those days will be at 7:30 AM. All other Wednesday Masses will continue as in past years.
- Building access protocol was discussed. Fr. Del emphasized the importance of communication and appropriate access by parish leaders for all events provided through Mindy Dannemiller and Mary Beth Dawson.
- Fr. Del Emphasized that all buildings on the campus are closed at 9:00 PM unless there is an athletic event which may go beyond this time..It just needs to be communicated.
- Fr. Del also emphasized that once the facilities are scheduled to be used, there must be leadership present to represent the parish.
- For all volunteers who become aware of any improprieties, they must report them to civil authorities. Fr. Del would appreciate being notified but Father emphasized it is all our responsibility to immediately report any violations of students to the appropriate authorities.
- Fr. Del reported loans for previous renovations have been aggressively paid down. Currently, debt is below \$500k and should be paid off by 2025.

- Leadership Day has not materialized for multiple reasons. Fr. Del asked if council would accept pushing the Day off until spring to better facilitate the purpose of the endeavor.

Dave Limbacher asked council members if they would agree to moving its meetings from the current monthly dates to the first Monday of the month. The Council supported the change. Discussion included joint parish meetings with St. John's Parish which Fr. Del also serves. Fr. Del further clarified that each parish would have their meetings with observations once a quarter initially to allow for collaboration. With that, the next council meeting is scheduled for October 7<sup>th</sup>, at St. John Fischer at 6:30 PM.

Fr. Del reported that the Parish will be passing out books (one per family) by Bishop Robert Barron, Letter to a Suffering Church, at masses concerning the current crisis the Church is facing. Times will also be announced to provide listening session for parishioners concerning these issues.

Dave Limbacher commended Fr. Del for his recent communication to the Parishioners concerning the recent events affecting the Church.

Linda Conour, PTO President, expressed concern that there wasn't going to be a Parish Picnic. She would like for it to be communicated if the event isn't going to occur. Mike Moran concurred that he had heard similar concerns.

### **What have you heard?**

Dottie Buerger – Heard that the sound system wasn't working well for parishioners to hear during mass. The same parishioners said it had improved for this week's mass

Jon Dannemiller – Students who have been on mission trips will be present after mass to share their experiences.

### **Closing Remarks**

Dave Limbacher reminded the members of Council their responsibilities to represent Council on Parish Committees. Assignments were made.

Dave Limbacher thanked Jon Dannemiller for his service on Council and asked him to lead ending prayer.

**Commission Updates** – *no committees reporting out tonight.*

**Old Business** – *no old business*

### **Closing items**

Next Meeting – October 7th, 2019

Closing Prayer

Jon Dannemiller