

Pastoral Council Meeting

Thursday, September 5, 2019

Time: 6:45 pm

Location: SMIC

Attendees:

Staff

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Fr. Nathan Reesman | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Fr. Stephen Buting | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Fr. Andrew Infanger | <input type="checkbox"/> | | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Immaculate Conception

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Catherine Yekenevicz (Trustee) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Kris Deiss (Chair) | <input type="checkbox"/> | Rafael Vela |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Harold Siercks (Secretary) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Lloyd Uelmen | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Wendy Peters |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Jean Franke | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Mary Swosinski (Trustee) | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Kathleen Paul | <input type="checkbox"/> | Mike Falkner (Vice Chair) | <input type="checkbox"/> | |

Saint Frances Cabrini

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Anne Marie Danaher | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Dave Zimbal | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Lynn Corazzi |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Cathy Spies | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Gregg Jashinsky (Vice Chair) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Mary Herdrich (Trustee) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Dave Gugg (Secretary) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Joe Vespalec | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Randy Lucka |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Dave Kohlmann (Trustee) | <input type="checkbox"/> | Lisa French (Chair) | <input type="checkbox"/> | |

Joint Meeting Topics:

- Opening prayer and approval of minutes:
 - Fr. Andrew began the meeting at 6:55 with a group prayer. Individuals present gave a brief introduction to help start the new Council year. Minutes of the previous Pastoral Council meeting on 6-5-19 were approved as presented.

- Faith and Family Fest update:
 - We are in need of more teams for the Bag tournament. We currently have six teams registered.
 - The scheduled band had to withdraw due to a member injury. Another band / music provider is being sought.
 - Donations and donated prizes for the children are down from previous years.

- Journey Update:
 - The Journey program is currently located at the St. Francis Cabrini campus. Presently there are 30 students and 40 volunteers in the program, using the Journey Room 4 days a week.
 - The program is growing and now is in need of more space. Possibly at a different area of the parish, or in a new parish building. St. Francis Cabrini does not have an appropriate space for the special needs of the program.
 - The program must be out of its present Journey Room space by May 1st, 2020.
 - A proposal will be submitted to the Pastoral Council in October concerning use of a building at St. Mary's Immaculate Conception. The proposal would outline anticipated costs and the administration of the space.
 - Part of the concern for the new space is being accessible by wheelchair. Although not needed at this time, it would be desirable going forward. A current estimate for a wheelchair accessible door is approximately \$4,000.
 - Additional costs would be refurbishment of the proposed space.
 - The goal of the program is to be self-sufficient. To support that, grant requests are being prepared.

- RCIA Promotion:
 - Fr. Andrew provided an overview of the Right of Christian Initiation of Adults program.
 - Fr. Andrew wanted the Parish leadership to be aware of the program and promote it to others we might identify in the Parish. Several members stated how this program brought them, or someone they knew, into the Catholic Church.

- Letter to a Suffering Church Book and discussion:
 - The books will be handed out after Mass on the weekend of 9-7/8, with discussions to be held at St. Francis Cabrini on the following two Fridays.
 - The book reviews the present day sex abuse scandals in the Church, provides some context to sinful behavior by individuals in Scripture and in the early Church leadership.
 - Most importantly it emphasizes that God is always with us and the Church, that we will survive with His guidance, and why we should not abandon the Church.

- Fr. Nate update:
 - Fr. Andrew does not have more information than what was presented in the Parish Bulletins.
 - The sabbatical is an opportunity to reflect and grow his personal faith.
 - Fr. Nate should be returning on October 4th.

- Fr. Andrew provided a flier on the upcoming Annual Seminary Dinner to be held on October 4th at the Wisconsin Center. It is a wonderful dinner and speaker experience. Cost is \$150 per person.

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| Breakout meeting topics: Immaculate Conception |
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- Chair – Kris Deiss
- Vice-Chair – Mike Falkner
- Secretary – Harold Siercks

- Topic I
 - Polka Mass:
 - This past year was the third highest fund raiser.
 - Silent Auction donations have been decreasing historically.
 - The Polka Band has already been booked for next year.
 - Net profit from the Raffle Tickets was \$6,696.
 - Net profit from the Silent Auction and food/beverage sales was \$934.86.
 - Total profit was \$7,630.86, an increase from last year of \$685.39.

 - Stations of the Cross:
 - The Stations have been completed, including a plaque on each cross.
 - Now we just need some discussion and promotion of the project.

- Committee Reports:
 - Stewardship & Barton Outreach – Mike Falkner
 - Dog blessing on October 12th.

 - Prayer & Worship – Jean Franke
 - First meeting will be held on September 11th.

- Finance – Whitey Uelmen and Kris Deiss
 - Fr. Andrew would like to consider some award or scholarship for the servers for their service. There was a proposed \$500 per person, total awards of \$2,000. No decision at this time.
- Faith Formation – Rafael Vega
 - No report.
- Human Concerns – Harold Siercks
 - Food Pantry is serving over 400 families. They also provide a weekend backpack program to students to cover food needs.
 - The St. Francis Cabrini Outreach Mission has a budget of \$12,000 a year and is providing assistance via grants to 8-12 Non-Profit organizations.
 - The St. Vincent DePaul Society spending approximately \$64,000 a year supporting adults and children through rent, food, fuel, and other subsidies. This is approximately \$300 per adult. All funds are through store sales and donations.
 - The St. Francis Cabrini Haiti program will have a Spaghetti Dinner fund raiser on September 28th. Cost is \$6 per person or \$20 for a family. Baskets will also be available to bid on.
 - Our San Gaspar Hondurans will be visiting September 6th – 12th. We will have a pencil box handout on October 13th, with donations to be returned on October 27th.
- Cluster Council – Kathleen Paul
 - No report.
- Pastoral Council to Archdiocese – Wendy Peters
 - No report.
- Open House at the St. Mary's school and Historic Classroom on Sunday, September 22nd, from 8 – 12.

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- Topic 1
 - OSV Rollout
 - Increased offering almost set
 - Looking for witness speaker 1st weekend in October – should be a person who has benefited from our ministries.
 - Parish Mission - what's next?
 - Decided to hold off discussion until next meeting.
 - Facilities update (capital campaign)
 - Concrete work is behind due to rain.
 - Blacktop won't be done until Spring.
 - Narthex roof to be done in a couple weeks.
 - Door in south end of lower level still broken.
 - Fr Andrew to check whether concrete stairs belong near school gym entrance.
 - Possible organ fix for \$1,500
 - Won't be as extensive as complete fix, but will be a big improvement.
 - Need to find funding source.

- New TV's
 - 3 TVs on carts to be set out when needed for Mass.
- Committee Reports:
 - Stewardship – Gregg Jashinsky
 - Fr Andrew introduced ideas for getting new members engaged in the parish. Ideas involved sacrament discussion with Fr Andrew, tour of building, introduction to small faith groups/ministries. Discussion over whether minimum membership expectations should be given to new members.
 - Prayer & Worship – Dave Gugg
 - None
 - Finance – Dave Zimbal, Lynn Corazzi
 - Revenue shortfall May and June – yearly shortfall of \$41K
 - Briefly mentioned capital campaign and lower entrance door again.
 - Faith Formation – Cathy Spies
 - 9 small faith groups and 25 confirmation juniors this year.
 - Human Concerns – Randy Lucka
 - Updates have ben made to online calendar
 - Holy Angels is looking for contributions for Family Promise bundles.
 - Haiti spaghetti dinner on Sept 28th.
 - Bill and Wallness will have a booth at the farmers market.
 - Cluster Council – Joe Vespalec
 - No recent meeting – Joe to reach out to other members.
 - School - Anne Marie Danaher
 - Enrollment numbers are up.
 - Pastoral Council to Archdiocese – Gregg Jashinsky
 - Joe to make sure Gregg is added to email list for this committee.

Next meeting: Thursday October 3rd at 6:45 PM at SFC