

**Pastoral Council Meeting**

**Thursday, May 6th, 2021**

**Time: 6:45 pm**

**Location: SFC Mother Cabrini Hall**

**Attendees:**

**Staff**

X	Fr. Nathan Reesman
	Seminary intern Dominic Lazzaroni

X	Fr. Carlos Londono
X	Bill Neureuther

X	Don Theisen

**Immaculate Conception (Term-End)**

X	Catherine Yekenevicz (Trustee) 3-22
X	Mike Falkner (Chair) 2-21
X	Lloyd Uelmen (Vice Chair) 1-21
X	Harold Siercks (Secretary) 1-22

X	Mary Swosinski (Trustee) 2-21
X	Bob Wenzlaff 1-23
X	Jean Franke 1-21
X	Kathleen Paul 1-22

	Oscar Valladares 1-23
X	Wendy Peters 1-22

**Saint Frances Cabrini (Term-End)**

X	Dave Kohlmann (Trustee) 1-22
X	Gregg Jashinsky (Chair) 1-21
	Randy Lucka (Vice Chair) 1-22
X	Cathy Spies (Secretary) 1-22

X	Mary Herdrich (Trustee) 1-21
X	Nick Shera 1-23
	Mike Murphy 1-23
X	Anne Marie Danaher 2-21

X	Lynn Corazzi 2-23
X	Dave Zimbal 1-21
	Lisa French 2-21

Potential Counsel members: SFC – Jeff Godbout St. Mary’s – Mitch Zieseemer

**Meeting Topics:**

- **Opening Prayer** – Father Nate led us in prayer, praying for Oscar Valladares’ father who had just passed away and doing the readings for the upcoming Sunday.
- **Review and approval or corrections to past minutes** – The April minutes were approved with no corrections

**Introduction of visitors to the council. (As needed)** – Mitch Zieseemer (St. Mary’s) and Jeff Godbout (SFC) were introduced as potential Council members. Lysette Kopecky is also interested (for SFC) but wasn’t able to attend the meeting – and Mitch Zieseemer and Bob Jandre are also potential Council members for IMC.

- **Status of the mask requirement for SFC 4:30pm Mass** – Mass numbers were presented for the 4:30 Mass and after discussion (pros and cons of continuing or eliminating the mask requirement) it was decided that we should continue it but give a definitive ending date. Masks will still be required until Memorial Day weekend – and then, unless there is a major increase in the number of cases, the mask requirement will end. The hymnals will be back at St. Marys’ along with discussion of bringing back the choir after Pentecost.
- **Status of Faith and Family Fest for October of 2021** (Regner has been reserved.) We went back and forth on this, but the deciding factor was the limited staff time, and the amount of volunteers needed to run it. We won’t be having a Faith and Family fest, but we would love to have a very BASIC version just to get back to having the feeling of “community.” It wasn’t decided if it would be separate versions at St. Marys and SFC (maybe a tailgate after Mass before a game) or Fish fry. An idea was brought up for the Knights of Columbus to help run the food if we do have something at Regner (and people could bring their own games). Faith and Family Fest had been a fund raiser, but we can still do the “Food and Fund” drive at our parishes and use that to raise funds.

**Update/status of terms, new members, departing members** – Mike Falkner and Lloyd Uelmen are going off for St. Mary’s and Lisa French and Anne Marie Danaher are going off for SFC. (refer back to visitors to see new potential members.) Our June meeting will be the first official meeting for our new members.

**Love One Another Capital Campaign update** – Father hasn’t heard anything since March when he had heard the capital campaign was back on.

- **June meeting location, agenda, next year's meeting dates and locations** – Since most of the recent meetings have been at SFC, a suggestion was made to let St. Marys' determine the location of our next meetings. It was decided that we will stay at SFC due to the more spacious size, through fall.

**Breakout meeting topics: St. Mary's Immaculate Conception**

- (Order of items to allow Fr. Nathan to attend both sessions.)
- Project updates
  - The new Church windows will be coming soon.
  - The School garage and the Rectory roofs will be replaced.
  - The Rectory front steps will be redone.
  - The garage drive will have a storm drain installed and the drain line connected to the street corner. This means that the new side walk coming out from the school will be disturbed.
  - Longer term projects still being planned include the lobby entrance and the Church front steps.
- Budget review
  - Our current collections are above the projected budget by approximately \$3,000.
  - The Parish will increase the Catholic School tuition assistance from \$200 to \$225 for each student attending the school from our Parish.
  - The Parish will start to contribute to the old Catholic cemetery fund at approximately \$3 to \$4 thousand each year. This is due to losing the volunteer grounds keepers (mowing / trimming / etc) we have had for so many years. The grounds keeping will now be contracted out at a cost of approximately \$12 to \$14 thousand each year. That would deplete the existing cemetery fund in approximately 10 years. The poor road condition leading into the cemetery also needs to be addressed.
  - A new estate donation of approximately \$36 thousand dollars will be coming into the Parish. This will be a non-restricted donation and therefore assessed by the Archdiocese.
  - Our projected budget shows a net surplus of \$30 to \$35 thousand dollars. This surplus would be applied to capital projects. This projected budget has several assumptions:
    - No rummage sale income.
    - No Faith and Family Fest income
    - No rent increases for the use of the campus buildings. (San Gaspar, etc.)
    - Increase in funding to help the Priests.
    - The Archdiocese raising the assessment to 5%.
    - The shared costs with SFC as set, although some changes may be made.
- Committee Reports:
  - Stewardship & Barton Outreach –
  - Prayer & Worship – Mike Falkner
  - Finance – Whitey Uelmen / Jean Franke
  - Faith Formation – Wendy Peters
  - Honduran connection – Bob Wenzlaff
    - A total of \$8,500 was contributed from the San Gaspar program to support families install cement floors and latrines in their homes.

- Cluster Council – Kathleen Paul
- Pastoral Council to Archdiocese – Harold Siercks

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<b>Breakout meeting topics: Saint Frances Cabrini</b>
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- (Order of items to allow Fr. Nathan to attend both sessions.)
- **Committee Reports:** -Only committee to meet was school
  - School - Anne Marie Danaher – Main objective at the school is getting accreditation for the school and updating the mission statement. In place of the auction, the school is raffling off a car. We need to really push this just to get enough to cover the car. Mailings should be going out to auction sponsors to encourage them to take part.
- **Large Estate coming to SFC** - Father Nate shared that a large sum of money has been donated to SFC. Most agreed to use the money to pay off the mortgage and sit on the remaining amount until we have a big picture of what are greatest needs are. Discussion was held about the need to have a “reserve” amount for emergencies. Mary Herdrich asked that the finance committee come up with a number to use for that reserve.
- **Budget review** – Bill gave an overview of the budget. It is still fluid due to an open enrollment in health care (adding more people will increase costs, enrollments could change and a shared employees percentage between parishes could change. Highlights included a 2% wage increase, stewardship budgeted amount increased by \$25,000 over last year, school tuition increased 3 percent, Little Saints more stable, and Parish assessment reflects a large donation.

**Projects (skylight in church)** – Due to continued leaking from the roof, it has been decided to cover up the skylight and add lighting (although the amount of lighting needed has yet to be determined. A company will come in and do that (for around \$17,000) and will finish replacing all the lights in the church.

- It was decided NOT to replace the mini canopies at this time as cost would be over \$50,000 each. It was decided that they would sand blast the brick and clean it up
- Russ is trying to get an estimate on updating 1 bathroom in the school – which will be multiplied by the 4 bathrooms. This will be expensive and is set for next year.
- Day care is doing well, even with Molly leaving. We are up to 30 kids!!
- Enrollment at the school is at 209
- Choir – right now the goal is to increase the number of cantors. Hopefully by Christmas we will have more. Brenda’s hand is improving but she is still unable to play the piano. However, she has done a lot more of her visitations.

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