

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
May 20, 2021

Meeting opened 7:01 p.m.

Opening Prayer – Fr. Kumud

Roll Call – Steve

Present: Father Jared, Father Kumud, John Mueller, Mark Salzmann, Marge Tessner, Paula Hill, Richard Link, Valerie Richardson, Jim Tobakos, Dan Sebben, Steve Thedinga, Max Loeck

Absent: Marilyn Kuick, John Davenport, Tyler Susee, Maddie Martin, Kelli Susee, Karen Mack, Alyssa Schuster

Introduction of New Council Members - Steve

Dan Sebben and Tyler Susee were introduced as new members for 2021-2022 serving 3 year terms.

Allie Schuster and Max Loeck were introduced as new youth members for 2021-2022

Expectations/Overview for Council Members – Fr. Jared

Council Discussions are important.

Go Make Disciples Initiative – It's a gift that if we don't share it we lose it

Habits to embrace:

1. Make Sunday a Day of Rest. Honor the day
2. Monthly confessions
3. Deny ourselves something. Daily Sacrifice
4. Daily Prayer

Commissions Meeting Summary

Spiritual Life

St. Olaf Feast Day Celebration at Fireman's Park July 25 has been the main focus

10:45 mass celebrated by Bishop Hying followed by a picnic/social gathering

40 hours of adoration and devotion

Prayer card for folks to use

KCs have volunteered to supply and cook hamburgers and hot dogs

KCs will be asked to help move tables and chairs to the park and return to church.

The Parish Community Life Commission has agreed to organize/provide for the rest of the picnic food that the KCs are not handling.

Parish Community Life

Supporting St. Olaf Feast Day

Coffee and Donuts Every Weekend on Sunday and cookies and lemonade on Saturday, weather permitting

4th of July Parade Float

Craft Sale in October

August New Member Dinner is being planned for August 28th after 5:00 Pm Mass. Council members are encouraged to attend.

Faith Formation

Year is completed and it took a lot of adaptability with COVID

Survey being sent out to parents to see what worked and what could be better

The preference of parents seems to be that they want in house class

Looking at schedules to get flexibility for classes

Confessions moving to Thursdays so that Priests can be more involved

First communion was completed

Confirmation is being planned for the Fall

8 are planning to attend NCYC (National Catholic Youth Conference) in Indiana

RCIA candidate Justin Falci completed his work and will be confirmed Sunday May 23rd

Finance Council Update – Steve

Financials remain strong

The Deforest Area School District lease is coming up in 2022. We have retained an attorney to assist with the lease so that we will be properly protected. Work continues with a future meeting on June 10th

2021-2022 Budget was approved. Expenses are up especially in the “benefits” for staff.

Revenues are expected to slightly exceed expenses.

There are several capital projects that are being addressed

Replacement of rectory windows

Tree work to be spread out over two years

Looking at some possible electrical repairs for the parish center to better support the fall festival. Also need to consider the summer preventative maintenance for the kitchen appliances

Diocese Pandemic Update – Fr Jared

Beginning June 2nd

Vaccinated persons no masks Non-vaccinated persons should remain cautious

Ropes will be removed. Some distancing will still need to occur

More to come with communications as things develop

Building Expansion Project – Fr. Jared

The committee is re-examining the plans and working with the architect

Just want to be sure we have a better idea of what is needed

Selection of Council Positions (Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary) – Steve

This was deferred as we did not have the required number of members (6) to have a quorum for a vote

Other Business

Pastoral Council By-Laws – we are coming up on 5 years since they were last reviewed. It was agreed that a working group would be put together to work with Fr. Jared on the review. Dick Link will lead the group. Steve Thedinga and Jim Tobakos agreed to participate.

Fr. Kumud asked for everyone's prayers and support as he begins his new assignment in Poynette/Rio as Pastor later in the summer

Fall Festival – October 3. Mark Salzman reported that the committee is planning a curbside pickup dinner again this year. Planning for 1,200 meals. Sinsinawa Bread order will be held with a date to be determined. What was the "Holy Hustle" is being looked at for broader opportunities. Silent Auction will be held again beginning on the day of the festival and closing on the following Sunday.

2021-2022 Meeting Dates – September 23, Probably November 18, January 27, March 24, May 26

Motion by Marge Tessner to Adjourn and Seconded by Dick Link

Adjourned 8:03 p.m.