

Pastoral Council Minutes

April 16, 2019

7:00 PM – Conference Room

Members Present: Father Colter, Bill Mackey, Doug Christensen, Mark Miller, Bob Ames, Katie Schmitz, Theresa Dethlefs, Mark Hannasch, Laura Schaefer, Greg Greazel

Meeting Called to Order: 7:08 PM

Opening Prayer

Approval of Minutes from February Meeting: No changes suggested/minutes approved.

Old Business:

- **Discussion – Parish Elections:** Pastoral Council will need to fill 4 spots. Discussion was had about several members who might be good candidates for the Council. We decided to have a handful of our members reach out to some of the individuals to gauge interest on whether they would like to serve. We will then have on-going email updates to all Council members.

New Business:


- **Review and approval of proposed 19-20 School Budget:** Father stated there were a couple of updates needed for the budget. Further, it will have to go to the Finance Council for approval before the Pastoral Council can approve. This item will be added to the May agenda for review and approval.
- **Review of Archdiocesan Parish Statistical Report:** Father explained to the Council about how these reports are generated through individual Parishes providing information to the Archdiocese. The Archdiocese will then summarize information and send out to the Parishes. Brief discussion was had about the report as it tends to show a downward trend in giving despite an increase in numbers. Overall budget may need to be reduced due to this issue.
- **Review of committee meeting minutes/comments/discussion:** There were not a lot of comments as a few committees did not meet in March. Mark M. says he spoke with Suzy regarding Financial Peace and they are still planning for the fall to coincide with the school year. Katie mentioned the School Board might be discussing SCRIP as it is just not generating the revenue compared to the resources involved in it. They have other ideas they will continue to look at and can update more in the future. Laura provided an update regarding the debt retirement. She states they discussed possibly having some dedicated envelopes for this purpose and they could be in the pews on a certain week every month.

There might also be a "soft ask" in the bulletin and on-going updates. She will be speaking with Roger K. soon as this has yet to be finalized.

- **Next meeting is May 21st:**

Closing Prayer

Meeting Adjourned: 8:05 PM



Robert E. Ames, Secretary