St Mary's Pastoral Council
Minutes – November 8, 2018

Attendees: Natalie James, Connie Shlimovitz, Sue Riley, Gerard Edwards, Father Gary Krahenbuhl, Ryan McReath, Lisa Walker, Kathy Jankowski, Dennis Sutter

Absent: Anastasia Kinney, Maribeth Dorn, Robin Ruhland, Greg Strickland, Dennis Harkins

Opening Prayer

Read Mission Statement

Reviewed minutes from previous month's meetings. Approved

Share Time / For the Good of the Parish

- Spanish Mass; feedback that it was very nice

Committee Reports

- Lifelong Faith Enrichment – committee in need of members; productive meeting despite small number of attendees; 12/1 "Date Night" after 4:00 Mass at the rectory with the topic of Navigating the Holidays
- Hospitality and Stewardship – continued progress and fine tuning of greeter ministry and scheduling; committee hosting a reception in the school cafeteria after 11:00 Mass on 12/2 for confirmands, sponsors, family & parishioners; working on hosting a reception for new parishioners possibly on Super Thursday meeting night to allow all committees to greet and inform new parishioners of each committees' activities and opportunities
- Community Outreach – River Haven temporarily closed and in need of new manager; trip to Haiti in January, 2019 has 6+ people; working on possibly getting a group together to help community members with small tasks; putting together a social for February with focus on inviting people who have drifted from the church and inviting them to join; Mass for disabled set for 4/28/19 at 11:00
- Pastoral – proposing anointing Mass for two times per year in April & October; book of remembrance to be kept open; invitations were sent for All Souls Day Mass; bereavement card in the works; Virtus training for homebound ministers; prayer shawls available in west usher's closet
- Liturgy – positive feedback for the anointing of the sick; 2019 All Saints Day is on Friday and All Souls Day on Saturday, proposing names be read on Friday at Mass; committee watched short You Tube videos and will share names and access to videos as they are worthwhile to watch
- Renovation – Update from Father, interviewing contractor (will do two for comparison) to work with architects with the intent of having less change orders/adds as the project progresses; will be signing a Letter of Intent

Discussion on changing the format of our meetings; currently spending more time on committee updates than on Pastoral Council topics. Going forward, 45 minutes will designated for PC topics and 15 minutes designated for committee reports focusing on highlights and items that need to be addressed by Pastoral Council.

All members to think about 3 or 4 goals for 2019 and will discuss/decide at next meeting.

Meeting ended with prayer

NEXT MEETING 12/6/18