

**ST PAUL PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**  
**MAY 9, 2019, 5:30PM**

**PRESENT:** Father Pat Jakel, Martin Klostermann (Chairman), Derek Burns (Vice Chairman), Suzie Gallatin (Secretary), Shirley Bellm, Keith Koch, Marylin McDevitt, Jacob Rose, and Rose Wascher

**EXCUSED:** None

**GUESTS:** Ceil Kloss

**OPENING PRAYER:** Monica Toennies

**PULSE OF THE PARISH AND AFFIRMATIONS:**

- Positive comments were made on the Tridium services leading up to Easter and on the Easter decorations which were beautiful again this year.
- The 10:30 Easter Mass was standing room only.
- A recent funeral was very nicely done and included many non Catholics.
- There was a positive comment on the parish wide email that is sent out which includes all that is happening in the month.
- There was a positive comment on the information in the bulletin that explains how the parish funds include a subsidy for our students who attend the two Catholic schools in our area.

**FATHER PAT'S POINTS:**

1. Capital Campaign Update – CCS predicted that our parish could sustain a capital campaign of 4.6 to 6.0 million and as of this date, we have the 4.6 million pledged.
2. In either June or July, the packet of envelopes will include an extra for our Capital Campaign and this money is not assessed by the Diocese so will go directly to our campus project.
3. The Rectory addition to connect the existing house to the garage is still in consideration. The idea of purchasing a second house near the parish campus is also a consideration.
4. School Renovation Update – There was a meeting last Monday to include both the architects and the asbestos company which will be doing the abatement. The work should begin immediately at the conclusion of the school year.
5. Father mentioned that the parish subsidized the school in the amount of \$600,000 last fiscal year.
6. There is to be a 16 X 12 foot canopy built on the west end entrance of the school that will mark the “front” of the school and provide shelter.
7. There will be an ADA restroom in the west end of the school.
8. We will need 50% cash in hand in order to borrow from the diocese.
9. The Saturday of Memorial Day weekend, volunteers will empty the west end of the school so the project can begin.
10. Clergy Staffing – Deacon Dominic Vahling will arrive at our parish to assist beginning the weekend of June 1<sup>st</sup> and 2nd and remain through the school year.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Inviting someone from each of the other councils to sit in on our meetings will be done through email.
- The weekend counting at each Mass continues. Including Easter weekend, our averages are

now 400 at Saturday Mass, 412 at 8:30 Mass and 392 at 10:30 Mass. Easter weekend saw 530 at 7AM, 610 at 8:30 and 702 at 10:30 Mass.

- The Annual Catholic Services Appeal bill of 1695 still outstanding will be received and paid soon.
- There was a CPR/AED course offered on this date in the Parish Center. Four parishioners attended and received their cards of completion.
- The Hospitality Minister's Update included a review of the ministers awareness of anyone unusual and also the seating of anyone who may be a doctor, nurse, EMT or may be of help if needed.
- Rose reported on the Pro Life Committee. There were two showings of Gosnell in April. May activities include an Eden's Glory collection, the Baby Bottle for Life and Relevant speakers at each Mass, a Luncheon for Life on May 17<sup>th</sup> and a Youth Day of Prayer at the Granite City Clinic.
- There were no minutes from Discipleship/Stewardship or School Board to review.
- The 2019-2020 Pastoral Council Members include, Derek Burns, Monica Toennies, Suzie Gallatin, Mark Rosen, Shirley Bellm, Marylin McDevitt, Keith Koch, Jacob Rose and Martin Klostermann.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Ceil Kloss, from the Food Pantry Board reported a little on the Food Pantry and the collection of items and asked that the monthly collection at Church be discontinued. It was discussed and decided that the St. Vincent DePaul Society would continue to support the Food Pantry and would encourage our parish to support them. The St. Vincent DePaul Society will add second collections to our regular schedule to help support the Food Pantry.
- Fair Trade is back. This supports our sister parish in Haiti.

**NEXT MEETING:** Thursday, June 13, 2019 at 5:30

**CLOSING PRAYER:** Monica Toennies