

**ST. PAUL PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING**  
**May 13, 2021, 5:45 pm**  
**All Saints Meeting Room**

**Minutes**

**PRESENT:** Father Pat Jakel, Father Piotr Kosk, Jacob Rose (Chairman), Monica Toennies (Vice Chairman), Suzie Gallatin (Secretary), Shirley Bellm, Martin Klostermann, and Marylin McDevitt

**ALSO PRESENT:** Dineen Czar (Executive Manager) and Seminarian Stefan Kaniewski

**EXCUSED:** Peg Bodinet, Derek Burns and Joe Heimann

**OPENING PRAYER:** Recited by all.

**MINUTES:** The April 15<sup>th</sup> minutes were approved as written.

**PULSE OF THE PARISH:**

- Our Masses are becoming much more full.
- There was a compliment on the blue windows.
- A couple from St. Louis (the Schlafly's who are placing a brew location in Highland), attended Mass at St. Paul and spoke with Father Kosk. They are happy to see a location in Highland and were impressed with our Church as well. Martin sent two church directories to them which they appreciated.

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE:**

- The “All Aboard Campaign” has begun. There are about 900 families who have not given to the Capital Campaign and about 450 of those do give regularly to the Church collection. This begins as a greeting card appeal, followed by a follow up phone call. Father is asking for volunteers to make these phone calls. The first phone call meeting is Tuesday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in the All Saints Room.

**ST. PAULOOZA CELEBRATION:**

- This is not a fund raiser but a combination of the Mega Raffle and a parish picnic.
- Mass will be in the KC Hall on September 12, 2021.
- This will be the drawing date for the all cash Mega Raffle to offset Kirchenfest losses.
- KC's will grill pork steaks, brats, hamburgers and hot dogs.
- There will also be a concession trailer with other “fair” food.
- Braden Henze will be the DJ for the day.

**CAMPUS CONSTRUCTION GROUNDBREAKING:**

- The groundbreaking will be Sunday, June 20, 2021 at 11:15
- Attendance is expected from the Korte Company, the Campus Growth Team and the mayor.
- There will be brief talks by a rep of the Korte Company, Terry Zeisset, Father Pat and Renee Mitchell.
- There will be no refreshments as this is Father's Day as many will have family plans.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- The annual Dinner Auction for 2021 was canceled and in its place will be a remote Dinner/Auction. Mailings with explanation were mailed out this week.
- Martin produced the Mass count which continues to raise in number. The average attendance for Mass from March to April has risen from 635 to 871. We continue to have about 80 watching the Live Stream Mass and a few continue to receive Communion outside after that Mass. It was discussed that a good time to discontinue that Communion distribution after Mass will be in August when the church building closes for renovations.
- We fell way under on the ACSA goal of \$110,387. A check for \$64,377.50 was mailed to the Diocese.
- The School Board Minutes were read and discussed. The school has a present enrollment of 211 that is only 2 short of the 2020-2021 school year. It is expected that there will be additional students enrolled during the summer months. There are some teacher openings as there is one teacher who found an opportunity closer to home and one has decided to stay home full time with her children.
- Father had the Council review a hand out of immediate and also not so immediate campus projects with estimated costs.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Beginning the first of July and forward, First Communion and Confirmation will be performed at the Cathedral in Springfield.
- After the Church closes for renovations, Masses at 4 and 5:30 will be held in the school gym. The sound system will be improved by that time. Masses at 7, 8:30 and 10 on Sundays will be held in the KC Hall. Funeral Masses will be performed at the Immaculate Conception Church in Pieron unless it is very small, and then it may be performed at the funeral home. Daily Mass will be held at the chapel in Meredith Funeral Home. There were six weddings that needed to be relocated and these families were happy with their changes.

The meeting closed with prayer recited by all.

#### **NEXT MEETING:**