St. Mary Pastoral Council Minutes

February 22,2021 7pm

Present: Fr. Bill, Scott Staelgraeve, Marita Martin, Anne Green, Rich Barston, Steve Hinz, Patrice Marner, Deacon Tom, Shelley Wheaton, Deacon Wayne Absent:, Dianne Pohl, Deacon Mike, Tom Turek, Ryan Houle

Prayer: Hail Mary

Minutes of January 25, 2020 corrected and approved

Old Business: Review of State of the Parish address January 30/31 Consider making next year’s presentation more encouraging with a vision for the future for St. Mary, as well as the accomplishments of the past year. Suggestion of encouraging messages in bulletin and from Father to uplift the people. We should consider a possible “Welcome Back” weekend experience in the next few months.

New Business: Our March 27th meeting will be in the Parish Center at 7pm with the option of joining on Zoom. Rich Barston will coordinate the Zoom invitation.

Reports:

Pastor: Fr. Bill- 1.) Financially all is well. 2.)Mass at 7pm on Lenten Tuesdays. 3.)Thursday Adoration will continue until Stations of the Cross on Fridays. 4.) Regular confessions on Saturdays are available with regional Penance Services on March 24th. 5.) 2nd collection for Habitat for Humanity in Ann Arbor. 6.) Easter plans made for the liturgies. 7.) Realignment continues to push forward.

1. Religious Education: Marita-1.) Family Catechesis is proceeding very well. Family Faith meetings include discussing virtues, Stations of the Cross, Lent, Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy, reading of “The Lion. Witch and the Wardrobe.” At this date 53 families are participating. 2.) RCIA prep is progressing with Gina Ward and Charlie Dahlgren. 3.) Students/families are preparing for their First Communion. 4.) Lenten Mass Tuesdays will include Rosary at 6:30 and a “The Search” at 7:30. It will be a personal retreat for the participants. 5.) Women’s Bible Study on Wednesday at 12:15 continue on Zoom. 6.) Sheri Wohlfert Presentation March 21 at 4pm. 7.)Please continue to learn from the many resources of Formed.org.

Youth Ministry: no report

K of C: 1.) Take out Fish Fry on the Fridays of Lent from 5-7pm. 2.)Year Round Scriptural Book for families

Finance: no report

Ministries: ---Liturgy/Music: 1.) Cantors at Masses and musical instruments participate on going. 2.) Creation of a group to facilitate better live stream programing.

---Hospitality: Personal welcomes and greeters continue.

---Tech Support: Ryan to help with overflow in Parish Center as needed especially during Easter.

Commission Reports: Respect Life: 40 Days for Life during Lent, Baby Bottle donations for Family Life Services

Upcoming Events:

1. 7pm Tuesday evening Masses with rosary and the film series “Search.”
2. Holy Week presentation on Sunday March 21st with Sheri Wohlfert 4pm.
3. St. Mary Parish confession March 24th 7pm

Closing Prayer: Spontaneous Prayer

Meeting ended at 7:50pm.

Next Meeting: March 29, 2021 7 pm Live in Parish Center or Zoom Meeting

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Green