

**Minutes Pastoral Council Zoom Meeting
Tuesday April 13, 2021**

Present: Dcn. Abts, Sharon Brabson, Fr. Farrell, Pat Gureski, Alan Moser, Pete Passuntino, Tom Polacek, Jeanne Rabbel, Kathy Wolff

Opening Prayer and Reflection: The meeting was called to order at 1:05. Sharon lead us in prayer by reading the gospel from the Third Sunday of Easter and reflections on forgiveness and peace. We shared our thoughts on the connection between peace and forgiveness and what interferes with our finding the peace of Christ in our lives.

Review and Acceptance of Minutes from February 22: The minutes were approved as written.

Parish Update: Fr. Tom reported that he had reviewed the list of people suggested for the Parish Mission Planning team. Father is grateful for all the recommendations he had received.

Finances: Deacon Tony reported that SMDC is \$3500 away from meeting our diocesan assessment. The deadline for meeting the goal is the end of our fiscal year. Attendance at mass has increased recently. In recent weeks we have at times exceeded our revised YTD budget.

Update on Mission Planning: Deacon also appreciated getting all the names submitted to him.

- The parish hopes to have a team of a dozen people who are balanced by gender, demographics, and background.
- Barry Metzentine from the diocese will train the team, and he will be available throughout the process.
- The team will attend four training sessions: two each in May and June. One of the June sessions will cover the survey tools to be used. All parish leaders will complete a survey.
- The team will be hold listening sessions and convene focus groups.
- Between June and October the team will meet in person twice monthly with the goal of producing a three to five year strategic plan by the end of October.

Resignation: Deacon shared that Katrina is leaving at the end of July. The position of “Director of Worship and Music” is a hard to fill because it requires musical talent as well as training in music and liturgy. SMDC is in the process of searching for Katrina’s replacement.

Reports from meetings with committees/commissions about PMP and PC goals:

Council members have met with the parish staff, Faith Formation, Finance Council, Knights of Columbus, and Worship Commission to communicate Pastoral Council's goals and to request their assistance as we work to meet them. Other meetings will occur as soon as possible.

Suggestions on follow up and implementation of goals:

1. When communicating with the parish about PMP, consider using the term "progress report" rather than "monthly newsletter" as the goal now states. Deacon Tony will write this update.
2. Revise the goals and assign two PC members to be "point people" on each goal." Point people" identified to date are: Dcn. Tony and Kathy for Goal 1, celebrating the return to worship; Tom P and Dcn. Tony for Goal 2, actively aiding, promoting and supporting mission planning; Alan Moser will work on communication for Goal 4, promoting our parish in the broader community. No one was designated to work on the 3rd goal of promoting how the parish lives its values.
3. **NEXT STEP:** Create a template that all committees can use to track progress on their goals

Revive Training: group agreed to utilize this program. **Follow-up:** select module/s for our training day. "Discipleship" was suggested.

Next meeting: June 22 at Sister Bay beginning with 9 am mass. This will be an in-person training meeting. **Details to follow.**

It was also suggested that we might want to have a call in May.

We adjourned the meeting at 2:30 by praying the "Glory be to the Father...."

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Wolff