

Tri-Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

September 19, 2017 6:30 – 8:00 PM

St. Charles Andre Hall

Minutes submitted by Marilyn Putz

**Attendance:** Fr. Jim, Magali Barajas and Sr. Emma      Excused or Absent: Fr. Carlos

**Trustees:** Barb Bakshis, Terri Newbury, Bob O'Neill      Excused or Absent: Dan Haacker, John Gabaldo, Jim Schuster

**Pastoral Council Members;** Pam Aldrich, Brian Daniel, Geri Henningfield, Mary Ann Johnson, Marilyn Putz, Jacki Scholze, Randy Tritz and George Whitehead.

Excused or Absent: Mark Ehlen

Brian Daniel opened the meeting and opening prayer was offered by George Whitehead.

**August Minutes:** Approved by consensus with one spelling correction.

**Fr. Jim's Comments:**

-Catechetical Sunday held and Father thanks everyone involved who is willing to share their faith through this program.

-1<sup>st</sup> Family Life Night held with 133 children and their families, over 200 in attendance in all. There are also 98 children in the traditional Sunday morning program. Both programs off to a good start.

-Steven Weller, has begun to spend time at our parishes, mostly on Sundays for now.

-Sacred Heart Seminary deacon, Brother Bernard, will begin preaching in September.

-Annual Parish Meetings are set: Nov 12. St. Charles after 8:00 mass; Nov.19 St. Joseph after 9:30 mass; Nov 26 St. Mary after 8:00 mass. PC members encouraged to attend as many as possible.

**Chairperson Comments: Brian Daniel**

Reviewed comments printed in the agenda regarding the consultative nature of the Pastoral Council. He encouraged members to bring things to the council and to encourage debate here as needed.

**Standing Committee Reports:**

(Reminder to Liaisons to inform their committee secretaries to send the approved meeting minutes to each parish so they can post them on their websites.)

Liaisons need to report only significant information that needs feedback for the Council.

**Worship/Liturgy liaison Fr. Carlos:** In Fr. Carlos's absence Johnson reported that St. Joseph is changing their misselettes to the same version used by St. Charles and St. Mary.

Human Concerns liaison Jacki Scholze: All 3 parish committees will work together on the disaster plan. Jacki has contacted the Mayor's office for in-put but has not received a return response yet. Bakshis will share her bank's plan as another example.

**Evangelization and Formation liaison Pam Aldrich:** Website access for formed.org website purchase by St. Mary and can be used by all three parish members, many types of formation programs available there. The parish code for the formed.org website is NBNCWY (it is case sensitive). To register you will need to give your name, email, address Sign in and enjoy numerous formation programs, books, audio and movies. Spread the word and enjoy!

Pam also brought up that she has received questions about the changes in the CCD Program. All PC members need to respond with correct information if approached.

**Stewardship/Parish Life liaison Mark Ehlen:** No report

### **School Advisory**

**St. Charles liaison Mary Ann Johnson:** Bakshis reported there are short 3 committee members, will recruit through the bulletin. Will work on changing their by-laws to comply with Archdiocese guidelines allowing non-school parents to be members. Will begin work on budget earlier this year to make the deadline. Enrollment is 152, 11 are School Choice and 1/5 are from the Hispanic community. Mary MacDonald is looking into grant programs for bi-lingual education.

**St. Mary liaison Brian Daniel:** Reported that they discussed how families would be adjusting to the possible combining of the schools. He also reported that the combined Catholic Athletic program is running very well.

### **Finance**

**St. Charles liaison Marilyn Putz:** Had a presentation from the Catholic Community Foundation as a possible investment source. Finalizing Annual Report.

**St. Joseph liaison Geri Henningfield:** No report

**St. Mary liaison is Randy Tritz:** No report

### **Catholic Community Events:**

Fall festivals: St. Charles, Sept 23 and 24

Hispanic events: Dec. 9 at 10:00, four couples will be married

Dec. 11 at 8:00 pm, our Lady of Guadalupe mass and celebration

St. Joe's will convene a group to plan the Holiday Social, may rotate the location this year.

### **Old Business:**

-School Steering Committee Report: Bob O'Neill reported that parents are getting e-mail blasts and information at open houses. Another listening session in October. Steering Committee meetings are open to anyone to attend. 60 people are involved with all the committees. Biggest challenge is getting information out to everyone, Bob or any other Steering Committee can be contacted for questions.

-Spirituality of Stewardship Conference for Leaders, Nov. 3 or 4, encourage members to attend.

-The joint meeting with committee members will be held at the Oct. 17 PC meeting at St. Joe's. The PC officers met with Fr. Jim, we will use the information gathered from the last joint meeting as the working agenda for this meeting.

- Pastoral Council will be commissioned at a mass at each parish. All PC members, trustees and Hispanic representatives are encouraged to attend each commissioning. Pews will be reserved in the front of church that day. Schedule: Sept. 24 10:30 mass at St. Mary Oct. 1 10:00 mass at St. Charles Oct. 8 9:30 mass at St. Joseph.

-Current member term elections: Aldrich – 1 year term, Daniel – 3 year term, Ehlen (not present), Henningfield-2 year term, John son- 3 year term, Putz - 3 year term, Scholze - 2 year term, Tritz- 0 term, Whitehead – 1 year term. St. Mary will need to discern a person for a 2 year term and St. Joseph needs to fill a 1 year term with Ehlen or a new person. The process starts in February. From the Hispanic Committee, Magali Barajas has 1 more year to serve.

**New Business:**

-A meeting regarding the new assessments for parishes from the Archdiocese is September 20 at Pleasant Prairie if anyone is interested in attending.

-Time and Talent Survey- want to do the same survey in all parishes if possible. Committee of Fr. Jim, Terri, Marilyn and Mary Ann will meet to get it started.

- **Action Items for next meeting:**
- Fr. Jim, Terri, Marilyn and Mary Ann will meet on Time and Talent Survey.

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Next Meeting October 17 at St. Joseph Parish Center 6:30 – 8:00 PM

Volunteer for Opening Prayer: Randy Tritz

Volunteer for Closing Prayer: Pam Aldrich

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Closing Prayer by Mary Ann Johnson

Meeting Adjourned by Brian Daniel