

## QUEEN OF APOSTLES PASTORAL COUNCIL

### MEETING MINUTES

**Chairperson:** Christy Rosenberger  
**Date/Time:** Wednesday, April 21, 2021 6:30 p.m.

**Secretary/ Minutes:** Stephanie Fong  
**Location:** Grellinger Hall and Zoom

**Participants:** Father Chuck, Ellen Donley (Zoom), Stephanie Fong, Anna Grzeszczak, Debbie Hanfler, Helena Keeley, Cindy Klopp, Kathy Korn (Zoom), Christy Rosenberger, Mike Szocs, John Schuller, Becky Wagner

**Excused:** Mike Hausman, Dale Servais

**Guest(s):** Gerry Parenteau

| Item             | Discussion   | Next Steps & Responsible Party            |
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| Prayer           | The meeting began on time with a prayer.   | Led by Ellen                              |
| Introductions    | Gerry Parenteau  |   |
| Commission focus | <p>Gerry brought us up to date with the Human Concerns Commission. Despite making some adjustments for the pandemic, HC has been busy:</p> <p><b>Bereavement</b> - No funeral luncheons, but Pat Monfre continues to lead "A Journey Shared," twice a month after daily Mass. This program encourages healing for those who have lost a loved one.</p> <p><b>Prayer Shawl</b> - Prays the rosary together once a month. They are making pajama pants for children and are knitting winter hats for people in prison.</p> <p><b>St. Vincent de Paul Meal Program</b> - Serving meals are on hold. Parishioners have been generous with monetary donations for the program.</p> <p><b>Home Outreach</b> - Limited by the pandemic for home visits, but can bring the Eucharist to the homebound.</p> <p><b>Christian Women</b> - Gave out nearly 500 books to the parish during Lent and donated \$1000 to SVDP.</p> <p><b>Pro Life</b> - Baby Shower is in October. Will be collecting disposable diapers, wipes, etc. for The Women's Center and SVDP. Would like to find more members, possibly a parishioner with a young family.</p> <p><b>SVDP</b> - Has been supporting needy families with rent assistance, WE Energies assistance, toys, gift cards and vouchers for household items.</p> <p><b>Prayer Line</b> - 45 Pray-ers strong!</p> <p>Gerry is proud of how HC has been the hands, feet and heart of Jesus during this difficult time. She plans to do some bulletin announcements to let parishioners know what they have been up to. HC has several new members from brand new parishioners. She does not need to make any changes to the budget for HC.</p> | LFFC will be the Commission focus for May |
| Minutes          | The minutes were approved as written   |   |
| Father's Update  | <b>DMI Group</b> - Father was excited to report on the progress of the DMI group. The group has done an initial analysis of the data and will provide a report in the bulletin this weekend with some basic findings. One observation is that  |   |

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|                       | <p>QoA recognizes the importance of being an aid to discipleship. In the next phase, the DMI group will look at the data, create priorities and goals to move QoA forward.</p> <p><b>Discernment process</b> - Father reported on the upcoming process to discern council members and trustees. Council nominations will be in May and nominations for one of the Trustee positions will be in June.</p> <p><b>Adopt A Highway</b> - This Saturday April 24, volunteers will participate in cleaning up our Adopt-a-Highway portion near QoA.</p> <p><b>Stewardship Appeal</b> -QoA has received its first "report card" on the Catholic Stewardship Appeal. We are at 53% of our goal. The emphasis for the appeal is not so much on the amount given, but in the percentage of people who donate. This is the main source for the Arch D to provide services to the community. Mary Weinlein is the liaison from QoA to the Arch D for the appeal this year and will be speaking at masses this weekend.</p> <p><b>First Communion / Confirmation</b> - First Communion will be held on two weekends this year: May 1-2 and May 15-16. First communicants will be able to choose any of the three masses to attend. Confirmation will be May 7, presided by Archbishop ListECKi.</p> <p><b>Praise for Holy Week</b> -Father expressed his gratitude for the beautiful Holy Week and Easter liturgies and extended his compliments to Brian McLinden, Mary Tannis, Bob Meyer, musicians, lectors and servers.</p> |  |
| <b>Trustee Update</b> | No trustee in attendance. See attached FC report.  |  |

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| <b>Commission and Strategic Plan Updates</b> | <p>Youth and Young Adult (Anna) HS students will be volunteering at MBHS this weekend. They continue to study the topic of Social Justice.</p> <p>Lifelong Faith Formation (Stephanie and Cindy) No Report</p> <p>Human Concerns (Debbie) Nothing to add to Gerry Parenteau's report</p> <p>Prayer and Worship (Kathy and Ellen)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communion shields will be going away in May. Congregation will be able to sing the recessional.</li> <li>• People were very positive about the Holy Week liturgies</li> <li>• P&amp;W has been very careful with spending, using what we have for decorations. Monies were spent on poinsettias, palms, lilies and Easter flowers.</li> <li>• Upcoming project to go through the closet, organize and take pictures of items needed for each season</li> <li>• The Prayer Shawl ministry made a beautiful screen that is being used with a projector of images to enhance our worship. The PC expressed their gratitude to Brian McLinden for this initiative.</li> </ul> <p>Stewardship / Volunteerism (Becky / Stephanie) The Ministries Booklet is nearing completion. We will be using a drawing of the image of Mary and the Apostles instead of a photo for the cover. Descriptions of the ministries are complete. Only stylistic decisions to make now. In the future, Stewardship would like to have representatives of different ministries share with the parish at Mass about their work.</p> |  |
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|                                  | <p>Finance (Helena / Mike S)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• See attached Cemetery notes.</li> <li>• See attached Finance Council Notes</li> </ul> <p><b>Technology</b> - More exploration needed as to what a newly formed Technology commission would do and what technology needs we have, how to budget for this.</p> <p><b>Census</b> - Father Chuck moved for a census to be conducted of QoA parish. Approved unanimously by PC</p> <p><b>HVAC</b> - A motion made that John S write a proxy for the ArchD to do capital improvement to complete the HVAC project begun in 2019. There are 3 units left to do. Approved unanimously by PC</p> <p>Strategic Plan (Christy)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nothing to add to Father's report earlier</li> </ul>   | <p>John S will speak with potential Tech commission volunteer Becky to explore initial how- to's for census</p> <p>John S. will write proxy</p> |
| <b>Council Items</b>             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parish attendance and contribution numbers are attached.</li> <li>• Commission visit for May: Life Long Faith Commission</li> <li>• John S. reminded us that all commissions need to prepare their budget proposals before the end of April</li> <li>• Christy reported on the last Deanery meeting; focus on ArchD initiative The Gift of Sunday. Books were distributed to parishes. More info will follow. Our Deanery group needs to fill the term of a liaison to the Archdiocese.</li> <li>• June 30 some PC member terms will be ending. Nominations will occur in May.</li> <li>• Fundraising initiatives: Last Bubba's night raised \$635. Cindy Klopp working Bingo at Gina's Sports Dock will raise \$100 each time working. Next Fish Fry is April 23rd.</li> <li>• Mass of Blessing for Law Enforcement - Becky spoke of the history of this Mass offered yearly at St. Josaphat's Basilica. It has traditionally been held in May and during the pandemic it has not been celebrated. We discussed the possibility of a Mass for Law Enforcement Officers (LEO) / first responders or a special blessing at the end of Mass.. Because of timing with recent events affecting the nation, Father is not comfortable offering either at this time. During the first weekend in May, the Petition Prayer will include a prayer for LEOs and first responders. They will be included in future rotations as well.</li> </ul> | <p>Liaisons should communicate to their commissions that budgets should be finalized</p>  |
| <b>New Items</b>                 | None  |   |
| <b>Next Meeting Agenda Items</b> | Next meeting is Wednesday, May 19, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. Grellinger Hall and Zoom   | Prayer Leader will be Stephanie   |
| <b>Closing Prayer</b>            | The meeting ended with a prayer.  |   |