

QUEEN OF APOSTLES PASTORAL COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

Chairperson: Kent Rice

Date/Time: Wednesday, November 15, 2023 6:30 p.m.

Secretary/ Minutes: Stephanie Fong

Location: Grellinger Hall

Participants: Chris Behrndt, Debbie Bisswurm, Father Chuck, Tom Farley, Stephanie Fong, John Henry, Cindy Klopp, Gary Mathis, Kent Rice, Dale Servais, Becky Wagner

Excused: Tim Dondlinger

Guests: None

Item	Discussion	Next Steps & Responsible Party
Welcome and Prayer	The meeting began on time with a prayer.	Provided by John
Introductions	None	.
Minutes	The minutes from October 18, 2023 were approved	
Photo	TBD	
Father Chuck / trustee report	<p>Father's report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thanksgiving Day masses are Thursday, November 23 at 9am. People can bring food (donated to the Pewaukee Food Pantry) or cash (donated to SVDP). There will be no Friday Mass. • Fran Soya passed. Her funeral will be Saturday, December 2 at 1pm. • Friday, December 8 is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Masses will be at 9am and 7pm. • The Pastors to El Paso, TX are having an overnight trip for parishioners to see first hand the pastoral work being done at the US / Mexico border. Catholic Extension is sponsoring 2 people from QoA, Debbie and Tim Bisswurm to go. Sacred Heart Parish of El Paso is the oldest parish in El Paso and the only Jesuit run parish in Texas. They are a border community mostly made up of immigrants. Catholic Extension wants to develop a lenten project around helping with the physical needs of this parish. <p>Trustee report (Dale / Tim) No report</p>	
Commission and Strategic Plan updates	<p>Lifelong Faith Formation (Cindy / John) See attached report.</p> <p>.</p> <p>Human Concerns (Debbie)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christian Women are sponsoring the Poinsettia Sale • The Prayer Shawl ministry is very excited about the upcoming Flight To the North Pole. These heroic women knitted hats, scarves, and mittens for 15 families, all of whom have children suffering from cancer. <p>Prayer and Worship (Gary /Stephanie) See attached report. Some highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As Advent nears, the E-Team (Environment Team) needs volunteers who are able to climb ladders to place banners and decorations. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grace has initiated a spot in the bulletin each week to highlight a volunteer at QoA. Please consider submitting a picture of yourself to her, share the ministries you volunteer for, and why you love volunteering. We are encouraging more people to see how fun and enriching volunteering at QoA is! Gary Mathis attended an event at Lumen Christi to promote an Hour of Adoration throughout the Archdiocese. Stay tuned for further details, including a meeting to plan future evenings of Adoration. <p>Stewardship (Becky):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The last New Parishioner Welcome event was Sunday, October 22nd, after the 10:30 Mass. It was well attended. New members received artesian honey collected by Michael Casper! Of the 858 envelopes prepared for the Fall Stewardship Campaign, 276 were picked up at church and 582 were mailed out. 55 people attended a beautifully prayerful All Souls service and stayed for fellowship after. Upcoming fish fries: Feb 2, Feb 16 and March 1, 2024. The next Meet and Eat is Dec 9/10, sponsored by Christian Women. The M&Es are an opportunity for each commission to highlight their ministries and encourage new volunteers to join them. The January M&E will be January 13/14, hosted by Human Concerns Stewardship Commission will be considering renaming the commission and ideas for promoting "stewardship" differently. The term, "stewardship" seems to be mostly associated with monetary donations, when really we want to emphasize that giving of our time and talent is equally important. <p>Finance Council (Chris/Tom)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> October was a good month financially for the parish. We consulted our insurance company regarding the proposed walking path on QoA property. It was determined that because it is secluded and there are tripping hazards the costs outweigh the benefits. Dale will update the parish on how we are using the LOA funds. Much has been going on behind the scenes. If parishioners are not receiving their invoices from the LOA donations they should call the office. 	Submit photo, ministries and "your why" to Grace
General Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Safety Plan: This has been reviewed and needs to be forwarded to Grace. A final implementation meeting TBD. A comment that Grace has been doing great in her new position and is coming into her own. Discussion regarding having a December PC meeting 	
Next meeting	Wednesday, January 15, 2023 at 6:30pm, in Grellinger Hall	
Closing Prayer	The meeting ended with a prayer	Next prayer leader is Cindy