## **QUEEN OF APOSTLES PASTORAL COUNCIL**

## **MEETING MINUTES**

Chairperson: Christy Rosenberger Secretary/ Minutes: Stephanie Fong

Date/Time: Wednesday, September 15, 2021 6:30 p.m. Location: Grellinger Hall

Participants: Father Chuck, Tim Dondlinger, Ellen Donley, Tom Farley, Stephanie Fong, Helena Keeley, Ann Heckenkamp, Cindy Klopp, Kathy Korn, Christy Rosenberger, Dale Servais, Becky Wagner

Excused: None,

Guest(s): Mic Pietrykowski

Item	Discussion	Next Steps & Responsible Party
Prayer	The meeting began on time with a prayer.	Led by Kathy
Welcome / Introductions	Welcome to Ann Heckenkamp as the newest member to Parish Council	
Photo	Mic took photo of Parish Council Members	
Minutes	The minutes were corrected to show that a summary of the ossuary will be provided for the October meeting in lieu of having Bob Meyer as a guest to share the purpose and usage of the ossuary. The minutes were then approved.	
Father / Trustee Update	<ul> <li>Christian Formation classes are off to a good start</li> <li>We are having more weddings and funerals (none of the funerals due to Covid)</li> <li>Father is looking forward to his upcoming presentations on his sabbatical (9/22, 9/29 and 10/6)</li> <li>The DMI group is making progress</li> <li>Joe Nettesheim spoke to Fr. Chuck about Family Promise Waukesha, which provides temporary assistance for homeless families. Local area churches house, feed and provide for the needs of the families. Joe would like QoA to know about the program. Father is inviting Joe to present to our next PC meeting to share with us.</li> <li>Father is taping a Heart of the Nation Mass this week to be broadcast in mid-November.</li> </ul>	Christy will share next meeting info with Joe

Commission	Lifelong Faith Formation (Cindy / Kathy): See attached report	
and Strategic	<ul> <li>Liz is happy that formation numbers are close to last year. Reaching out to families in our data base</li> </ul>	
Plan Updates	pre-census helped identify more students.	
	Lydia Heinen is a great new asset to our team.	
	<ul> <li>It is not unusual to lose students the year after receiving a sacrament, how can we mitigate this loss?</li> </ul>	
	Still looking to identify a new youth representative to PC	

	Human Concerns: (Ann) See attached report. Stephanie noted that report said we are no longer doing Pilgrim Crucifix, but that it is a topic at the upcoming P&W meeting (9/17)  Prayer and Worship (Ellen / Stephanie):  The closet has been cleaned out. New material found which will be made into table coverings for cremation services. Prayer and Shawl Ministry will make the new covers.  The Eucharistic Board with hanging crosses to designate volunteers is working well.  There has been an increase in volunteers for lectors and eucharistic ministers.  No choir for now.  The two front rows on the choir side of the church are designated for people who need gluten free hosts.  Lisa Hoeck is a new volunteer to lead the children's ministry during Mass.  We currently only have volunteers to provide eucharistic services for 2 of our 6 nearby assisted living facilities. Perhaps if we put the need in the bulletin, someone who already visits a loved one there could help?  The numbers of people sitting in the East wing (masked) are going up. This may be an indication that more people are feeling safer about coming to Mass.  Stewardship / Volunteerism (Becky / Stephanie)  The Ministry Booklet will be ready for the New Parishioner Welcome.  Stewardship is planning a welcome gathering September 25 for all new parishioners who have joined since 2019. The gathering will happen after the 5pm Mass. There will be wine and amazing appetizers prepared by Mark Wagner. Council members, ministry leaders and staff are encouraged to attend. 7 new parishioners have RSVP'd so far and an additional reminder email went out last night. 22 people total have RSVP'd.  Parish census volunteers are making calls, texts, and emails to households who have not responded to the census. We have 525 responses, 64 are no longer members and 72 requested not to be listed in the parish directory.  The next Fish Fry is September 17. It will be drive-thru, but there will be tables outside for those who would like to eat picnic style.	P&W to discuss re-introducing Pilgrim Crucifix  RSVP to parish office for new parishioner welcome
	Finance (Helena / Tom) FC no meeting, See attached Cemetery notes. A new ossuary has been built.  Strategic Plan (Christy) The envisioning group is meeting on a 3-5 year plan and goals. This is a 5 step process that will continue over the next 2 months.	
General Items	<ul> <li>Reviewed attendance and contributions numbers.</li> <li>The date of the QoA anniversary celebration will be July 9/10, 2022. Father invited the Archbishop.</li> <li>All commissions should get their summaries to Christy for distribution by 10/15. For future meetings, notes should be given to Christy the Sunday prior to the next meeting.</li> <li>Discussion on the nature of the Universal Prayer: Father explained that the Universal Prayer is what the whole church brings to God. We avoid appearing to take sides in controversial issues. We have other means for offering specific prayers, ie: the prayer line and the parish prayer book. Ann shared that at a prior parish the Universal Prayer was slipped into a pocket in the parish prayer book and brought up together for Mass.</li> </ul>	Liaisons should get notes to Christy by 10/15.

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	Discussion: how do people join QoA? How to appear welcoming?	Share idea with P&W
New Items	<ul> <li>Mic asked about how we are handling the sign on the St. Mary's site. Per the village Trustee, the village is responsible for moving it. We also discussed having a sign made to identify the cemetery.</li> <li>Concern about non parishoners randomly parking in the QoA lot. Do we need a sign or a policy?</li> </ul>	FC to discuss  Father will mention to John S
Next Meeting Agenda Items	Next meeting is Wednesday, October 20, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. Grellinger Hall	Prayer Leader will be Christy
Closing Prayer	The meeting ended with a prayer.	

Attachments: LFFC notes, Human Concerns notes, cemetery notes