

Pastoral Council Meeting  
April 6, 2021 @ 7:00 pm  
Church Narthex  
Zoom – Online Meeting

**Attendance:** Fr. Mike Erwin, Julie Ferstl (23), Chris Brooks (TT/22), Marge Jorgensen (TS/21), Greg Steil (21), Pat Bordak (22), Bob Einwalter (23), Tom Kalinosky (22), Vickie Kaul (21)

**Excused:** Irma Rosas (23), Javier Cavazos (22), Dan Doyle (21)

**Guests:** John Pryme, Kristin Adsit, Rita Nowak

Meeting was called to order by Julie Ferstl at 7:00 pm

**Welcome/Opening Prayer** – Tom Kalinosky offered the prayer.

**Approve March Minutes** – Moved by Marge Jorgensen, seconded Bob Einwalter, approved by voice vote.

### **Lifelong Faith Formation Committee Guests**

Rita Nowak, Kristin Adsit, John Pryme joined the meeting. Rita provided an overview of what the committee covers - includes but not limited to family programs, small faith groups, religious ed for all school ages, marriage group, Spanish ministry, sacramental preparation, summer bible school. Kristin discussed that due to COVID-19 there were some program adjustments and they have been upping the technology offerings. Religious education has been a blend of online at home and in person learning. She has been seeing some positive connections. John reported on high school formation. They have been meeting online and in person. He feels it has been a good year for the confirmation students but misses the group going to mass together. April 27<sup>th</sup> is confirmation with 31 candidates from 4 different parish communities. They are working on making sure they are following the safe practices to fit all the candidates and their families in church. Youth group had a recent movie night and started planning some outdoor activities for summer. They are discussing a young adult group and have a small group starting with studying the "Gift of Sunday" paper. They have some ideas for expanding the young adult group into a larger group.

### **Reports: Committee Liaisons**

#### **Human Concerns – Tom Kalinosky**

They are back to meeting monthly. St. Vincent Conference and baby bottle fundraisers did well given COVID. Mother's Day rose sale is TBD.

#### **Faith Formation – Vicki Kaul**

See above.

#### **Liturgy – Dan Doyle**

No report.

#### **School Committee – Greg Steil**

Parental Choice runs through mid-April but so far there are 30 applications/9 were new. Anticipating 37 total. Staff received COVID shots. Counselors are now back meeting

with students. They will be offering the Glitz the last time this year and are looking at another fundraiser for the future.

#### **Stewardship Committee – Bob Einwalter**

They will be re-grouping in the next couple of weeks and will be contacting people to build out the committee.

#### **Finance – Chris Brooks**

The group is currently finalizing the budget. They are looking at options for covering the deficit. The loose collection has been a challenge, but envelopes are doing OK. There is still a need for donations to cover the outstanding balance for the renovation.

The house recently closed. We received a bequeath from an estate. Immediate needs include an update of the computer servers and the rectory needs a new roof. Father discussed a donation to the homeless shelter and we decided to table that decision to a later time.

#### **Anniversary of The Church Dedication (June 14th)**

We agree to mention something at all the masses the weekend of June 12-13 and have a social gathering after each mass. This is also Father's last weekend with SKD. Ideas suggested included: Catholic Women can offer hospitality; Building can do tours. Father will talk to the staff. Tanya Diggins has been working on a booklet explaining the building renovation – this would be great for her to pull together for this weekend. Perhaps BFOB could be brought in to assist. Julie will reach out to Tanya.

#### **Eucharistic Chapel Update**

Father is working on getting key cards out to interested people. John Pryme is encouraging confirmation students to use the Chapel.

#### **July/August Gathering with new Pastor**

We would like to have a social gathering with the new Pastor in July.

#### **Pastoral Council Membership**

- a. Positions to fill
- b. Recruitment of new membership
  - i. Share names
  - ii. Reach out to names
  - iii. Invite to attend meetings

Julie has sent emails to potential members. Please continue to submit bulletin notices. At this time we have no possible members for the 4 open positions. We suggested Father mention the opportunity from the pulpit.

#### **2020-2021 Pastoral Council Goals:**

- a. Engagement – conversations between people similar and different than you
- b. Stewardship committee formation – group that focuses on time, treasure, and talent
- c. Welcoming parishioners during COVID – parish council members welcome parishioners at church – either before or after mass. – Council members to make this a priority in the year and will report back at each meeting.

Father is seeing more people chatting after mass. Wearing of masks is still requested for mass at least through Mother's Day weekend. He has been tracking the trends of vaccines and illness in Dodge County. The use of masks will be reviewed monthly.

**Comments from Fr. Mike**

We are getting a new pastor who will be a first-time pastor. Fr. Sergio will remain until October. Fr. Onildo will be meeting with the Embassy in September.

**Closing Prayer** – Chris Brooks offered a prayer.

Meeting ended at 8:45 pm

May PPC Meeting: 5/4 @ 7pm – Church Narthex/Zoom