

## Parish Council Meeting – September 27, 2021

### Attendance

#### Present:

Christine Aicher  
Dorothy Bennett  
Steve Casper  
Renee Gehring - Chair  
Peter Mauer - Trustee  
Teri Moseler  
Jon Purdy – Vice Chair  
Deacon Allen

#### Excused:

Dan Hobert - Secretary

#### Absent:

Dawn Timm - Trustee

Meeting Commenced – 6:00 PM

Opening Prayer: Renee Gehring

### Old Business

- 1) Approve meeting minutes
  - a. Christine Aicher motioned to approve. Peter Mauer seconded. Unanimous approval.
- 2) Discuss letter from parishioner R.W.
  - a. Renee called R.W. (who was not feeling well) to discuss the letter. She specifically mentioned the parish needs to help parishioner L.V.
    - i. Deacon Allen said that he visited L.V. twice (who was asleep one time and not home the other), along with many other parishioners on Thursday afternoons. Our visiting priests have also anointed many at hospitals.
    - ii. He stated that he cannot make a visit unless someone informs him or someone on the Parish staff
  - b. Christine said she spoke with a SVdP member at the Community Mission Team meeting. They had an upcoming meeting (Tue. 9/22) to discuss community outreach and home visits.
  - c. Teri said she is willing to support SVdP in developing an Outreach Program. Need a coordinated effort to accomplish this.
  - d. ACTION ITEM: Deacon and Teri will touch base with Carol regarding what was discussed at the meeting last Tuesday.
- 3) Liaison feedback re. Parish Priority Plan (PPP)
  - a. Christian Mission: Christine went to the meeting and distributed PPP information, which was not discussed at the meeting. Feedback to be gathered at the next meeting.
  - b. Liturgy & Worship: Jon went to the meeting and distributed PPP information. There are currently five people on the committee. Tim Yost announced his retirement as chairperson.
    - i. Teri and two staff members (Kay Moen and Chris Slowinski) will rotate leading their meetings on an interim basis.
  - c. Parish Life: Dorothy & Renee attended the meeting and agreed to supply feedback regarding the Parish Priority Plan.
  - d. Teri suggested (volunteered herself) to meet with each of these three teams, explain the PPP objectives, and answer questions.
    - i. Parish has a copy of the DMI survey questions, and other short survey questions for future use/reference.
    - ii. Parish Council agreed only the specific questions related to the priorities should be provided, as the entire list is too much unrelated information.
  - e. ACTION ITEM: Liaisons to reach out to the Parish Teams and offer them Explanation Meetings (possibly on next Common Meeting night, Oct 11)

## **New Business**

- 1) Deanery Meetings (geographical grouping of parishes)
  - a. Held twice per year. Next meeting is on Nov 29<sup>th</sup> (location TBA)
  - b. Each parish can have 1-2 council members.
  - c. Renee volunteered to attend. Council members will check their calendars before the next Council Meeting to see if another member is able to attend.
- 2) Manuals & 2021 Appendix
  - a. All Council members said they have an updated Pastoral Council Manual
  - b. Teri handed out the 2021 Appendix draft
  - c. Dorothy motioned to approve. Renee seconded. Approved unanimously. Teri will submit to the Archdiocese of Milwaukee
- 3) Communal Penance Service
  - a. Deacon Allen said he typically has these on Wed evenings, and averages 45 attendees. However, a number of older parishioners don't want to drive in the dark.
  - b. Council members discussed keeping on a Wed evening or trying Sat 12/4 morning at 10 or 10:30. He will ask 4-5 visiting priests what tie they prefer and if they are available.
  - c. Council unanimously supported scheduling this on Sat 12/4

## **Committee Reports**

- 1) Community Mission Team (Christine)
  - a. New Threads of Hope update
  - b. St. Vincent de Paul (no update – may need a new Liaison)
  - c. Giving Envelopes
  - d. Kenya Orphanage update
  - e. Sacred Heart & Red Cloud donation trip
    - i. Deacon Allen and Teri will meet with Jacyntha Shaw, who is not vaccinated and is not allowed on the reservation unless she gets vaccinated
- 2) Parish Life (Dorothy)
  - a. Bringing back Friendship on Sat. (10/23 Monches) and Sun. (10/24 St. Teresa – full meal)
  - b. Food needs to be pre-packaged or served by limited number of servers with precautions. Will finalize details at next meeting
- 3) Buildings & Grounds
  - a. Bat problem at Monches (another bat sighting today 9/27)
  - b. Deacon Allen wants to meet with Brad Berghouse re. the \$100+K proxy for Monches
- 4) Finance - Same items mentioned in the Buildings & Grounds report

## **Deacon's Report**

- 1) Fall Clean-Up at St. Teresa's on Sat 10/23
- 2) Holy Hour of Life will be on Wed. 10/27 at 6:30pm
- 3) Penance (Advent) will likely be held on Sat. 12/4
- 4) Stained glass window (St. Teresa choir loft) is now backlit
- 5) Lenten series (scheduling TBA). Deacon Allen will coordinate.

**Closing Prayer:** Renee Gehring

**Next Meeting's Prayer Leader:** Peter Mauer

**Next Meeting:** Monday 10/25 6:00 – 7:30