

## PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

November 8, 2022

7pm Meeting – Fireside Room

### MEETING MINUTES

**ATTENDEES:** Fr. Jim McNulty, Mark Tuttle, Denise Brady, Elisabeth Johnston, Megan Wolschleger, Terri Field, Steve Kraska, John Bodnar, Joe Bertrand, Deb Beaman

**ABSENTEES:** Renee Billotto, John Brady

- I. OPENING PRAYER – Denise
- II. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES – Approved
- III. CHAIRMAN’S COMMENTS
  - a. Goals & Objectives Matrix
    - i. This format is easy to read and clearly identifies responsibilities.
    - ii. Use this matrix template in January 2023 (after the holidays) to review and discuss/measure with each Commission leader to see how things are going.
    - iii. Goals & Objectives will be inserted in the parish bulletin again heading into the Advent/Christmas season.
- IV. FR. JIM’S COMMENTS
  - a. Ornament – Design options and pricing were shared with PC members via email since last month thanks to Elisabeth.
    - i. One side – Merry Christmas
    - ii. Other side – St. Edith 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary w/manger
    - iii. Quantity 2000 – Heather Shina to confirm quantity based on ordering CDs in 2018.
  - b. October Mass counts
    - i. Increase year over year since 2020 (pandemic), which is promising.
    - ii. Parishioner count is approximately 2600.
    - iii. Streaming is still an option and proving to be valuable based on numbers and feedback from parishioners; streaming quantity is defined as being logged in for five minutes.
    - iv. Feedback from Connie and Larry remains positive, and they’re willing to continue streaming weekend Masses and funerals.
- V. COMMITTEE REPORTS
  - a. CHRISTIAN SERVICE
    - i. MOPS Trivia Night originally received as their event rather than hosted by MOPS. Emphasize the importance of clear communication when promoting events.

- ii. Nothing new to add other than what's included in the meeting minutes.
- b. EDUCATION
  - i. Working diligently on how to meet the goal and objectives.
  - ii. "Family Masses" are scheduled on monthly basis and prioritize connecting events with weekend Masses.
  - iii. Unify school families and RE families with multiple events in 2023.
  - iv. General spirit wear line thanks to CYO is appealing to parishioners, school families, and RE families and is promoted on school website, parish social media accounts, and parish weekly emails. Deadline to place orders is Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup> to receive in time for Christmas.
  - v. Halloween parties for school and parish are separate due to capacity limits. Both parties are well attended and well received.
- c. WELCOMING
  - i. Evangelization, hospitality, marketing is the focus.
  - ii. Still searching for Commission Lead.
- d. SENIORS
  - i. Nothing new to report. All is good.
- e. WORSHIP
  - i. Zelma Isele recently joined Worship Commission and will manage leading the altar server responsibilities.
  - ii. Still searching for Commission Lead.
- f. FINANCE
  - i. Roofing project is approved for school, gym, and parish office buildings. Sourced the same company that redid the church roof.
  - ii. School windows project is currently accepting bids. Contact Bob Calleja for details.

## VI. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Young Catholic Professionals member, Czenna, started a non-profit organization of her own. Steve confirmed with this organization's founder to coordinate Catholic speed dating event. He will distribute details to PC members via email in upcoming weeks and determine next steps.

## VII. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Parish committee gathering / happy hour event to meet members on school committee. Consider extending invite to additional committees within the school, RE, CYO, parish. Schedule event for post-holidays in January 2023. Megan will follow up with School Committee to express our interest. Suggested venue is Knights of Columbus Monaghan's in Livonia.
- b. Should we consider creating parish organizational chart? Opportunity to provide visual rather than reading in paragraph format. Opportunity to connect the dots. We think it is a good idea but will revisit in future meetings. Fr. Jim informed us that such org chart had been done in the past, and he is uncertain of the value it provided. Still, open for discussion as needed in future.
- c. Christmas Mass schedule

- i. Christmas Eve 12/24 Saturday 4 pm, 6:30 pm, and midnight
    - ii. Christmas Day 12/25 Sunday 8:30 am, 11 am
    - iii. Replaces weekend Masses because holiday falls on Saturday and Sunday.
  - d. Monthly pizza and spaghetti dinners in January pushed back to weekend of 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> because of the New Year's holiday.
  
- VIII. December 13, 2022, MEETING – OPENING & CLOSING PRAYER VOLUNTEER
  - a. Opening prayer – Deb
  - b. Closing prayer – Terri
  
- IX. CLOSING PRAYER – Mark