

# St. Mary Pastoral Council Minutes

September 14, 2022

4:00pm

The meeting was called to order by Sally Cole at 4:00 pm.

In attendance:

Council Members: Fr. Miniatt, Nellie Broeske, Sally Cole, Kathy Cook, Frank Marrese, Renee Toth, and Gerianne Weyer.

Trustee: Chuck Dineen

Father Miniatt led everyone in an opening prayer.

The June parish council meeting minutes were discussed and had no corrections. A motion was made by Nellie to approve the minutes and seconded by Kathy.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- A) Update on LOA campaign (as of July 12, 2022): St. Mary has \$309,565.00 pledged, 121% of goal! 22% of the registered households participated. SOZ was at \$287,870.00 (\$6,000.00 more came in over the summer), 202% of goal! 27% participation. Huge thanks to our volunteers and donors! \$43,620.00 has been deposited to date in our LOA bank account.
- B) Joint Parish directory slated for fall 2023. There will be no cost to parish and will only get paid with purchases from family pictures taken. A committee has started to form to work on this project.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- A) Reviewed the confidential financial statement (CFS). No questions or concerns were noted.
- B) The Cash Sweepstakes (Raffle) drawing will be on November 12<sup>th</sup>. Marisa has started working on getting the mailings out. Since the date is coming up fast and it was never discussed before now, we will just have a social in the church basement following mass on that date. We will possibly look into having a fall festival dinner along with the raffle in 2023.
- C) Boiler quote for the church came to \$32,344.51. Two quotes were looked at and the building & grounds committee decided to go with Aircare Inc. (Beaver Dam). It can be replaced with one boiler instead of the two that we have now. The money from the capital campaign will be used for this new boiler. Motion was made by Nellie to proceed with this project and seconded by Frank. Proxy will be signed by required priest, parish members, and sent to the Archdiocese for signatures to proceed.
- D) Father let us know that the Archdiocese is having an Eucharistic Revival preparation meeting at the MMOC Pastoral Center 10/22/22, 8:30am to 3:30pm. If anyone is available to attend, please let him know.

- E) Someone from the Archdiocese reached out to Father about having someone from our parish represent us on the archdiocesan pastoral council. They usually meet twice a year. Father will send us the agenda if he gets one.
- F) There was a concerned parishioner who reached out about possible mold in the carpeting in the school basement. Chuck Dineen mentioned that the dehumidifier has been running and when there was water, it was dry within two days. Sometimes there is limestone (from the walls) that crystalizes, but he believed that it was not mold. He will contact Scott Sterr and parishioner.
- G) Renee asked if we should possibly bring back the rummage & bake sale that the parish always had years ago. Something to look into and possibly forming a committee for next year.
- H) The cemetery sign was discussed. A parishioner was looking into making a donation and didn't know who to make the check out to. Father will look into how much money has been sent in for donations at this point. It was put on hold last spring because of lack of donations.

## **PASTOR'S REPORT**

- A) Jan 2022 through the first weekend of September Mass attendance averages:
  - 1) 4 pm 70, 8 am 48, 9:45am 47, 11:30am 83 (87 June to Sept! :))
- B) Great summer! Lovely wedding for Joseph and Grace, awesome priest conference, restful family vacation, great parish picnic.
- C) I was happy to hear of a very positive meeting to give feedback in the pastor appointment process. Thanks! I heard of a few minor concerns surfaced at the meeting that he discussed with the parish council.
- D) I'm the 5<sup>th</sup> grade catechist this year. I'm also leading a guided reading class on Vat II! :)
- E) You could still sign up for the seminary dinner (over the next two days?)... It will be on October 7<sup>th</sup> this year. I have two tables full and there are some who have signed up individually. It is very inspiring!
- F) After 6 years, I am returning with my parents for a visit to Italy. :)
- G) A major piece of our local efforts at Eucharistic Revival is our annual 40 Hours devotion! As leaders, please sign up to spend some time in Adoration. I also encourage everyone to watch the first two episodes of Mass of the Ages.
- H) Questions?

## **REPORTS**

- A) Finance Council (Gerriane): No report was needed.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 9<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm. A motion was made by Kathy to adjourn and seconded by Renee. The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

*Kathy Cook*