

Pastoral Council Meeting

Minutes

November 11, 2020

Begin with a Prayer

Members Present: Dr. Rodney Yager, Fr. Greg, Renee Shinn, Marie Little, Kristin Thompson, Tiffany Greiman, Jennifer Richardson, Keith Amos, Donna Long, Amber Hays, Joni Mudd

Members Absent: Deacon Mike, Sr. Sue, Laurie Assell, Jane Crowe, Lacy Seward

We welcomed new parish council members, Dr. Rodney Yager and Joni Mudd. Fr. would like to start in January sending agenda items out ahead of meetings. Dr. Rodney Yager will join administration committee with Jane and Keith. Joni Mudd will joint Social Concerns with Lacy and Amber.

Reading of the Minutes: Minutes from previous meeting were electronically read and approved. No amendments were made, and we will sign the written copy.

School Report: No school report.

Committee Reports

Religious Ed: (CCD, PSR, RCIA, Youth Group, and Bible Studies) Kristin Thompson, Marie Little, Jennifer Richardson
- no update

Administration: (maintenance, building and grounds) Jane Crowe, Keith Amos, Dr. Rodney Yager
- sign: what image do we want on the sign? Fr Greg chose the church building.

Liturgy: (how we worship, seasons, decorations, planning/looking ahead of what parish needs) Renee Shinn, Laurie Assell, Tiffany Greiman
- no update

Social Concerns: (food bins, Prolife) Lacy Seward, Amber Hays, Joni Mudd
- Need to plan trash pick-up.

Old Business

-Time and Talent info is entered. In January, will contact all leads to ensure all communications take place.

-School Loan: \$300,000 with little funds coming in. . Payments are \$3200 each month. There is \$22, 000 in that account now Fr. Greg will follow up with people in January, but that will most likely only lead to \$100,000 being collected. Discussed people forgotten we owe money. Rodney asked what we can do. Fr. suggested 1) put with church renovation 2) follow up with donors. .

- Tri-County 4x4 donated money from the sale of their real estate. Donated \$10, 000 to church and \$10, 000 to the school.

-Parish Directory is shut down again temporarily by Lifetouch due to Covid. Melody and Pat Kendrick are working on more proofs.

-New Finance Committee: would like 3 people. One person contacted and will reach out to the other 2.

-Raffle tickets for the Fall Dinner: due 11/15. Fr. Greg will pick winning ticket after Mass on 11/15 and will be on Facebook Live.

-D of I: talk about disbanding; meeting is tomorrow night; talked to Region Manager about this; they organize prayer services and charitable works-Funeral dinners.

-Church Reno: Cathedral is going to do one. Stained glass window- same company as Cathedral came to look at broken windows. Possibly doing a large window in the balcony. Lighting Solutions: St. George in Linn asked to come by to give us some idea of money we will need. Looking at 2022 but mid-January will have a better idea of when it will begin.

Pastor Report

-Christmas Mass times

-Bishop's Commission on Mass during COVID will be in Catholic Missourian.

-Mass at 9:30am is at capacity, and some don't always sit where they are supposed to. Continued need for social distancing of 6 ft distance and wear the mask during mass if not comfortable. No advent penance services and priests need to make themselves more readily available. People seem to be more comfortable closer together. The CDC recently stated the masks are effective to slow the spread. Fr doesn't want to mandate mask wearing. Those who want to wear them will-it's based on comfort level.

It was suggested that every church offer a 3pm mass on Christmas Eve to reduce the large crowds at earlier masses. They are auditioning a choir of no more than 18 people for the 5:30 pm mass. Also suggested two choirs, both smaller in size, to the 3/3:30 mass to reduce the crowd at 5:30pm. Tentatively, the masses are scheduled on Christmas Eve at 3:00, 5:30, 8PM (at St. Stephen), 12 Midnight, and 9:30am on Christmas Day. Continue to encourage people to live stream, pray, continue to build relationship with God during that time: keep the Lord's Day holy.

-Overflow has not been an issue, but as more people are returning there needs to be a plan. At Swinkey, they are using it for those who want further distance during mass. The intent is the live stream will come to KC Hall. Communion is still delivered to KC Hall. Possibly decorate KC Hall for Christmas as well. Offered families to come over to try it out on parish council.

-Invitation Meeting

Diocesan 10 County Surveys

Fr. Greg met with each county "Ralls and Monroe County together and Pike County,(St. Clement, Louisiana, and Clarksville will have one priest. Ralls-St. William. Monroe – Holy Rosary, St. Stephen and St. Francis Cabrini-Paris. Paris and Perry stay together while Fr. Henderson Fr. John Henderson is pastor. (He is not planning to retire within the next 5 years). Add Vandalia and Laddonia. Paris will come to Monroe when Fr. Henderson retires. November 22 is meeting in Perry to discuss Mass schedule times and how the parishes work together. Renee's input included people are concerned if not attending Mass on Sunday then it's not a real Mass as well as being afraid their church is being closed. This is not decided NOW, don't react to each, BUT need to have an overall plan.

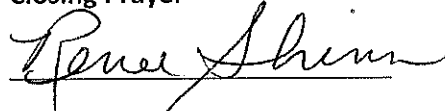
-Holy Rosary surveys: 89 responses, 14% Monroe County, 19.8% 2019 Parish at Holy Rosary, greater than 2/3 women over 60 yr of age, highest age group to respond was 60-74 y/o, parish has not grown, but also not declined.

New Business

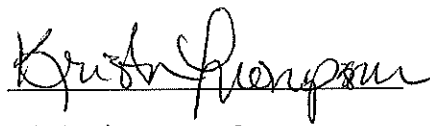
- Pastoral Council minutes will soon be on the website as a PDF once they are approved.

Next Meeting Date: 01.13.21 at 7pm (plan is to keep the 2nd Wednesday of the odd months) in small room of KC building.

Closing Prayer



Renee Shinn, President



Kristin Thompson, Secretary