

PASTORAL PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

January 26, 2021

Present: Jane Gehlhausen, Pam Freyberger, Van Ziegler, Fr. Eugene, Fr. Homero, Ben Schwenk, Max Verkamp, Tracie Ihle, Jason Messmer, Lynn Scheu, Mike Hagerdon, Patty Mills, & Mike Mills

Absent: Fr. Andrew, Dan Fritch, Bridgette Bartley, Carmen Miranda, Patty Brosmer, Yesica Miranda

Opening Prayer – Fr. Eugene led us in prayer

The 7:00 pm meeting was called to order by Van Ziegler.

November Meeting Minutes had been approved online.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Net Ministry – Fr. Eugene

- a. Evaluating the opportunity to have the Net Ministries organization support Bosco starting next school year with 8 individuals (4 male & 4 female). These individuals are typically in their early 20's. This could be a multi-year program. Fr. Andrew is leading the effort to coordinate between Bosco and the 4 area parishes. These individuals would live in the homes of area host families on a rotating basis. Looking to finalize an agreement in the next 60 days.
- b. Net Ministries has led recent confirmation retreats, and we have had positive experiences with the group.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Update on Diocese Guidelines for Health measures – Father Eugene

- a. US Bishops have given guidance that the Astra Zenneca vaccine (if approved for the United States) should be avoided if possible due to its use of aborted cells in its development and manufacture.

2. Church Renovation Update – Van

- a. In December, the Diocese approved our plans to move forward with the renovation.
- b. The renovation plans are being refined and finalized. The costs and function of the updates are being evaluated. Contractors are being selected for different phases of the work.

3. Capital Campaign Timeline Update – Fr. Eugene

- a. Reviewed the timelines of the project.
 - i. The capital campaign will run from January through April. Details of the campaign plan were shared.
 - ii. Exterior work on the Church is planned to start on May 1st.
 - iii. The Church will close on September 1st for the start of the interior construction. It is planned that the Church will be closed for 12 months. Mass will be moved to the Parish Center for those 12 months.
 - iv. Discussed ways to keep parishioners engaged during the construction with periodic updates.

COMMISSION REPORTS:

FINANCE: Jane reported

• January Financial Review

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| ○ Budgeted Income | \$692,745 |
| ○ Actual Income | \$675,670 |
| ○ Variance | (\$17,075) |
| ○ Budgeted Expenses | \$711,100 |
| ○ Actual Expenses | \$697,337 |
| ○ Variance | \$ 13,763 |

• Sunday Collections

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| ○ 2020 | 26 collections | \$544,654 | Average \$20,948 |
| ○ 2019 | 26 collections | \$604,272 | Average \$23,241 |

• 2020 CPC Assessment \$310,085

- Pledges received \$256,294 (82.7% of Goal)
 - Last year same time was \$242,839. Making last push in January.

PARISH SPIRITUAL LIFE: *Tracie reported*

- This liturgical year is the Year of St. Joseph. Discussed ideas to engage the parish for the Year of St. Joseph including introducing parishioners to the Consecration to St. Joseph.
- Sunday, October 10th will be Confirmation for the two Confirmation classes.
- First Communion is scheduled for April 17th at 9:30 am and 6:00 pm and on April 18th at 11:30 am and 4 pm.
- This group meets the 3rd Monday of every month.

EVANGELIZATION & OUTREACH: *Lynn reported*

- Haven't had a meeting since December.
- Have a meeting scheduled for Thursday of this week with Father.

PARISH COMMUNITY LIFE: *Patty & Mike reported*

- Scheduled meeting was cancelled due to a COVID infection and is getting rescheduled in February.
- Discussed the Parish Picnic and the potential impacts from COVID and the renovation work to the exterior of the Church will have on the picnic.
- Traditional Senior Dinner is not being pursued this spring due to COVID concerns. Discussed potential alternatives.

LATINO: *Fr. Homero reported*

- Meeting scheduled for the 2nd Sunday in February to discuss the future of this ministry.
- In December, Fr. Homero completed the translation of the Latino Ministry documents.
- Getting people involved is the biggest challenge.
- Planning to do the Way of the Cross during Lent.
- Discussed actions that the parish could take to make the Latino community more comfortable.

SUCCESS STORIES/OTHER BUSINESS

- Power of prayer – Jane's daughter went to ER with a scan that showed a stroke and blood clot on spine, she was transferred to Louisville, she was scanned again in Louisville, and her scan was clean. She was told it was a bad initial scan.
- Lynn and Pam helped to a successful prayer event with various groups last week for Respect Life. Mike also had it Live Streamed.
- A couple complimented Van on a recent Mass. It was the first time they had been back to Mass since last January.
- March Pastoral Council meeting will be moved to March 23rd.

Closing Prayer: Fr. Homero led us in prayer.

The next meeting will be **February 23, 2021 at 7:00 pm** in Kundek Hall.

Submitted by: Max Verkamp