

## PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES JULY 17, 2018

**ATTENDEES:** Father Jeff Goeckner, Clyde Nosser, Linda Daniels, Jason Dreyer, Lacey Gelsinger, Kathy Hankins, Georgann Lautner, Marisa Nieto, Melinda Nosser, and Bruce Thorley.

**ABSENT:** Deacon Dan Corbett, Lou Carnoali, Susie Knetzer, Arthur Langston, Jeff Litterst, and Rodolfo Villar.

### COMMON SESSION

Father Jeff opened the meeting with the Gospel and reflection for the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### WELCOME/NEW POSITIONS

- Father Rob Johnson—Parochial Vicar at St. Boniface and Chaplain of SIU-E.
- Dale Renken—Business Operations Manager. Dale started work today (7/17) and will be working Robin Hake and Cindy Zurliene in the Parish office. His duties include making accounting decisions; combined purchasing of common necessities and supplies among the schools, and; filling in during vacations.
- Kelly Shilly—Receptionist.
- Sarah Kreke—Communications Coordinator.
- Leah Witacker—Pre-K teacher.
- Michael Haufler—Science (part-time science lab).
- Mary Ramsey—First and second grade aid.
- Clyde Nosser—Adult Faith Formation.
- Justin Nosser—Communications team. Justin will be doing video clips of the various liturgical ministries. This is part of a plan discussed some time ago by the Stewardship Committee as a way to put our Ministry Fair on line.

**STB Enrollment**—Laura Kretzer stated that we have 218 enrolled for the 2018-19 school year with 30 enrolled in preschool.

**FMCHS Enrollment**—Father Jeff said enrollment is at 200+.

**PSR**—Additional facilities have been rented from St. Andrews Church to accommodate our ever growing PSR program. Father said this will cost about \$1200/year. The folks at St. Andrews are very welcoming and glad to see their facilities put to good use.

**Twin Oaks Parking Lot**—finished.

**Parish School Exterior and Interior work**—the exterior brick and mortar are being sealed because there is and has been water building up in the walls causing a great deal of damage. Because of this, moving the playground has been delayed. Work in the downstairs boiler/robotics lab and the other rooms is moving along.

## COMMON SESSION

### ANNOUNCEMENTS (continued)

**RCIA Witness Reflection**—will be this weekend, July 21/22 at all Masses.

**Bonifest Update**—Raffle \$31,651.00 / Run \$23,287.00 / Bonifest \$23,717.00.

Total Net Profit: \$83,655.00.

**Finance Council**—this group historically meets quarterly and will meet during this Common Session in due time. If we should need anything from them when they are not attending the Common Session, contact Robin Hake.

At this time we split into our individual groups.

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### INTRODUCTIONS

Our new members, Kathy Hankins and Melinda Nosser, introduced themselves. Welcome!

### FALL SERIES OF FAITH STUDIES

Clyde introduced a three tiered plan—apologetics series, Bible study series, and book study/Christmas study series. He had several suggestions for each series. He is especially hoping to promote Pope Benedict's, Infancy Narrative as one of the book studies. He talked about creating small groups—some could meet on weekends—as well as promoting this to existing study groups.

Kathy suggested having on-line groups. She also said it would be helpful to have a place on our website where we would list small groups and what they are currently discussing. This way people could go out and find a good fit for what they are looking for and when they can attend. Father Rob suggested looking into Flocknotes which is an on-line platform that connects parish groups. There is a subscription fee. The group was reminded that all are welcome to attend the weekly RCIA classes. The topics and presenters are published weekly in the bulletin.

Georgann reminded the group that meeting space is limited with all the activities we already have. Kathy suggested meeting in parishioners' homes—maybe create a list of those willing to have small groups in their homes. Linda said that is the basic intention of our Last Supper Clubs (LSC), and that information—groups, topics, guidelines—are on our website. Lacey tried to find LSC on our parish website, and said it's a cumbersome process. Our current LSC series is scheduled through October and still needs a topic and sources for November. The new series begins again in December. Clyde will search topics and media.

Marisa said that when Robin BR would find a program for the fall/lent series she would also order materials in Spanish. She and her husband, Marcelo, would present the sessions. She also suggested a series on Our Lady of Guadalupe.

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### PERPETUAL ADORATION

During this discussion the Liturgical Committee joined our group.

There is definite interest in this ministry. Marisa stated that the Spanish community is very interested and that many already go to Mother of Perpetual Help (MPH) in Maryville to participate in their 24 hour adoration. It is well known among the area parishes that MPH has adoration and many attend, but there has been some recent issues scheduling attendance during the middle of the night. They are also having problems getting coordinators for all times of the day—especially at night.

Therefore the discussion turned to having a plan to shut it down in an emergency or for lack of adorers. Perhaps we should start small—less than 24 hours. We talked about approaching the Knights of Columbus to attend during the hours that are hard to fill. We would also open this up to area parishes. Father Rob suggested we start with the Jubilee Year as a trial run. There will be a period of catechesis and sign up. We'll see what the response is and judge by those numbers.

Our hour was coming close to the end so we went quickly through a few items left on the agenda.

### ADULT FAITH FORMATION

- **Contact with Diocese Office of Catechesis**—Initial done.
- **Organize Lenten Study for the Parish**—Clyde is still working on a couple of ideas.
- **Martha and Mary**—working on a communications book. They may do a Scott Hahn series next.
- **Monday Day Group**—Bishop Barron—the Mass.
- **Grief Support**—made contact and will provide support.
- **Funeral/Bereavement**—Linda Daniels mentioned that we need more greeters. Sometimes you may be asked to read or be a Minister of Holy Communion.
- **Parish Mission**—set in motion by Robin BR. Georgann stressed that we need to get things going on this event sooner than later. We are scheduled for January 19-23, 2019. An invitation to the parish community should be made to volunteer to help with committees for this event— leadership, hospitality, refreshments, communications, brochure, liturgy and music, transportation, childcare. The guide from the Redemptorists says to allow two months prior to the event for planning. That would be November and December—otherwise very busy months. That gives us August, September, October and possibly November to make solid plans. Clyde assured us that we would make this a priority at our next meeting.
- **Communications and AFF program**—this was on the agenda but not discussed.
- **Fiat**—Georgann reported that the group struggles. There is no real leadership. It doesn't seem that anyone wants to commit. There is a core group of 5 or 6 women who have been meeting weekly to bond. (I, for one, am no longer participating because of other commitments.)
- **Fraternus**—Jason reported that there are 7 or 8 men and 7 or 8 boys in their core group. They are planning a Saturday/Sunday retreat camp this weekend. They also need more boys to attend.

### ITEMS ON THE AGENDA NOT DISCUSSED

- Free Lunch Fridays
- Ministry to the Homebound
- Young Adult Faith Formations Idea

## **COMMON SESSION—WRAP TAKEAWAYS**

### **SCHOOL BOARD—Laura Kretzer**

- A new procedure for dismissal and safer pick-up in the parking lot has been developed
- A new fundraising program—a football raffle—will replace magazine sales.

### **JUBILEE COMMITTEE—Mary Westerhold**

- September 29<sup>th</sup> is the kick-off for the Jubilee. Free food and fun after the 4:15 Mass.
- Sponsorship letters will be sent to raise money to help pay for Jubilee events.

### **COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE—(unknown)**

- Creation of an Ambassadors Program—this is a group of people who will automatically share what STB puts out on social media so our posts go beyond parishioners.
- Creation of a parish email directory to send newsletters, alerts, announcements, etc.

### **PASTORAL COUNCIL—Clyde Nossner**

- We discussed the fall series of faith studies.
- We discussed Perpetual Adoration—24 hours or less, leadership, catechesis.
- We will start organizing the Parish Mission at our next meeting.

### **STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL—(unknown)**

- They discussed their 2018-19 series, Call to Holiness. They are talking about guest speakers.
- They discussed Perpetual Adoration.

### **LITURGY COMMITTEE—Alan Ratkewicz**

- Discussed Adoration with Pastoral Council.
- Discussed the need for additional Ministers of Holy Communion and Sacristans—especially at the 5:15 Mass.

### **SPANISH COMMUNITY—Marcelo Nieto**

- They discussed conferring with their community to see what they want as far as faith formation.
- They want to start a group of PSR parents who want to have some constructive time while they wait for their kids in class.

Father Jeff closed our meeting with a prayer to our Holy Mother, Mary.

Our next meeting will be August 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30pm.

Respectfully submitted by  
Georgann Lautner

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