Minutes of the Joint Pastoral Council Meeting Thursday, November 4, 2021 – 7:00 p.m. St. Anthony Parish Center

Members Present: Mary DeFoe (SN), Mary Freitag (SN), Greg Montgomery (SN), Carol Wozniak (SA), Bill Madison (SA), Andrea Olson (SH), and Anita Tomczik (SH).

Members Absent: Craig Hohlfeld (SA).

- I. Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Carol Wozniak.
- II. Opening Prayer: Deacon Steve led the council in prayer.
- III. The council reviewed the minutes from the previous meeting of October 7, 2021. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Mary Freitag, second by Mary DeFoe. Motion was called and approved unanimously.
- IV. St. Ann Finance Committee Report:

The committee reviewed the current balance sheet as of November 4, 2021. The balance sheet shows \$4,789.32 in the general checking account, \$29,851.45 in the Perpetual Care Principal Savings account, and \$54,381.95 in the general savings account. Deacon Steve advised the committee there is \$2,224.02 in the general checking fund that belongs to the St. Ann Choir. Those funds need to be removed from the general checking and put into a separate choir account.

The finance committee also discussed and approved raising the rent for the Preschool Playhouse from \$500.00 per month to \$550.00 per month effective January 1, 2022. The increase is to help offset increasing energy costs.

V. Old Business:

- St. Anthony church building update:
- a) The overall feeling was that the open meeting went well. There were a lot of good comments, and questions. The feedback received was mostly positive. There were some questions that simply couldn't be answered because it's too early in the process. It was very clear at the end of the meeting what is important to include and consider when moving forward with the process.
- b) The capital campaign committee had its first meeting on October 25th with Mark Davy & Associates. The committee is off to a great start and has selected a theme: "Acting in Faith Building for the Future". The committee will be meeting again on November 8th to finalize a campaign prayer and to select a campaign logo.

There will be a meeting in December to assist those who want to learn how that can contribute at the end of the year for tax purposes. The official campaign is going to begin in January 2022.

c) Last month the St. Anthony Finance Committee and the St. Anthony Pastoral Council approved a motion to spend up to \$30,000.00 for chairs with kneelers for use in the current worship space and in the new church when built. Bob Boehm and Deacon Steve have requested a quote from Southeast Church Supply, Inc. for 128 chairs with kneelers. The chairs are made of a wood frame and have padding on the seat and the back rest. The wood stain will be "Sunset" which is a close match to our current pews. The fabric will be "Shire Rose Red".

VI. New Business:

1.) St. Anthony – There was no new business for St. Anthony Abbot.

2.) St. Ann –

- a.) Air Duct Cleaning: The finance committee discussed the issue and decided to hold off for now. It appears the smell has gone away, and the air ducts are too large for the traditional mode of cleaning. Project would be too costly.
- b.) The council considered the finance committees action to raise the rent for the Preschool Playhouse from \$500.00 per month to \$550.00 per month effective January 1, 2022.

Motion by Bill Madison, second by Carol Wozniak, to support and approve raising the rent for the Preschool Playhouse \$50.00 per month effective January 1, 2022.

3.) Sacred Heart -

- a.) Deacon Steve advised there is nothing new to report on the steeple repair. This project will have to be re-evaluated in the Spring.
- b.) No word from the Knights of Colombus about design for a new sign. Deacon Steve will try to contact someone and get this project moving.
- c.) The issue was raised about children throwing decorative stones from around the building into the parking lot. Not sure what we can do.

VII. Committee Reports

Health Ministry - Mary Freitag reported blood pressure checks are underway again before masses. The committee will be working on a new survey in December. They are hoping to do a Friends & Family CPR training in the Spring and an End-of-Life Education event with Catholic United Financial. They are also working to make brochures available at all the churches that promote health and provide needed resources.

St. Anthony CCW – Mary DeFoe reported that Deacon Greg & Elaine Ricci and family, along with volunteers and Confirmation students, will be offering a drive-through dinner in January to help raise money for the St. Anthony Abbot Capital Campaign. The CCW has provided \$500.00 to help with the cost of food for the dinner. The date for the dinner is January 16th, 2022.

The CCW has also set their date for the Variety Show at the American Legion Hall. It will be held on April 29, 2022.

VIII. Motion to adjourn made by Greg Montgomery, seconded by Bill Madison. Motion was called and passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Next meeting date: Thursday – December 2, 2021.

Location: St. Anthony Parish Center

Dcn. Steve Linton
Parish Life Coordinator