

## Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

August 4, 2022

Time: 6:45 pm

Location: SMIC

### Attendees:

#### Staff

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fr. Nathan Reesman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fr. Kevin Harmon	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chris Chlebek (Joint finance)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Seminary intern Domimic Lazzaroni	<input type="checkbox"/>	(Sem. Intern) Nicholas Waddell	<input type="checkbox"/>	Don Theisen (SMIC finance)

#### Immaculate Conception (Term-End)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Joe Gresser (Trustee) 1-24	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mary Swosinski (Trustee) 3-23	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Oscar Valladares 1-23
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jean Franke 2-24 (Chair)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bob Wenzlaff 1-23	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Melinda Jessup 1-25
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mitch Ziesemer 1-24 (Vice Chair)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kathleen Paul 2-25	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Bob Jandre 1-24
<input type="checkbox"/>	Harold Siercks (Secretary) 2-25	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
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#### Saint Frances Cabrini (Term-End)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dave Kohlmann (Trustee) 4-24	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mary Herdrich (Trustee) 4-23	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lysette Kopecky 1-24
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lynn Corazzi (Chair) 2-23	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nick Shera 1-23	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dave Zimbal 2-24
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Gregg Jashinsky (Vice-chair) 2-24	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mike Murphy 1-23	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jeff Godbout 1-24
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Cathy Spies (Secretary) 2-25	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dave Vogel 1-25	<input type="checkbox"/>	

### Meeting Topics:

- **Opening Prayer** – Fr. Nate read the scripture on the Transfiguration, and we shared our petitions.
- **Review and approval or corrections to past minutes** – There were two corrections from the June minutes. Bob Jandre was present, and Melinda Jessup was added to the SMIC Honduras committee as Wendy Chapman has gone off the Council. With these changes, the minutes were approved.
- **Introduction and welcome to Fr. Harmon** – We went around the room and introduced ourselves to Fr. Harmon and welcomed him to our Parishes.
- **Explanation and discussion of the Archdiocese “Year of Eucharistic Revival.”** The Bishops’ voted on a document to emphasize the Eucharist for the next 3 years. 3 delegates from SFC and SMIC will attend a conference in Milwaukee on Oct. 22 at the Pastoral Center to learn how we can better emphasize the Eucharist in our parishes. Father wants volunteers by the next meeting. Ideas already being considered include a procession from Parish to Parish on Corpus Christi (June 11). The Catholic Faith formation theme this year will be “Lift up your Hearts.”
- **Discuss the status of the Prayer and Worship Committee-** The Prayer and Worship Committee has not met for 1 ½ years due to covid, but now with the renovations underway and the year of the Eucharistic Revival, Father is looking for volunteers to help get this going again. Lysette will meet with Brenda and Beth to find out who was previously on this committee.
- **Discuss ways to get more volunteers for the various Human Concerns groups by generating the top volunteer needs of each group and placing an article in the e-bulletin.** Cathy Spies will get the email addresses for all the individuals that lead one of the Human Concerns committees and ask them to develop a concise description of what their committee does AND, if they need volunteers, a specific listing of what that person would be asked to do. Once these are turned in, Cathy will forward them to Tammy Waech so she can do her magic and then post them in the e-bulletin. The group thought we should put them all in the same e-bulletin, but then once it gets closer to an activity (ex. When the Giving Tree goes up) put that specific item back in the e-bulletin to reinforce the need.

- **Update on the fall picnic** -Mike Murphy reported that Kim Nielsen is taking a lead role on the Fall Picnic. It will be held at SFC on Oct. 2 (there will be a Journey Mass at 10:30 and the picnic will go from 11:30-2:30.) We will once again ask for a donation of \$5 per person with a maximum of \$20 per family which will cover food and games. Mike was looking for a putting green and Father recommended asking HA for theirs. In the coming month, there will be a sign up for volunteers to work the picnic.
- **St. Vincent De Paul situation**- Several parishioners on the SVDP committee met with Fr. Nate and Fr. Howard to share the financial situation at SVDP. The needs for the community are way up, but so is the rent and other costs so SVDP is almost out of money for August which leaves them unable to help the people that need it most. It was agreed that both SMIC and SFC will each give \$2000 directly to SVDP. Other ideas that we are looking into include the following: donating ½ of proceeds from the SMIC rummage sale and possible have the youth have a brat fry while the rummage sale goes on, all the proceeds from the SFC book sale, maybe a car wash, put out donation baskets during the fall festival, put something in the e-bulletin to let parishioners know of the need and hopefully donate on their own. St. Marys' will also look at added an additional fish fry, and, if a raffle license can be obtained, doing a 50/50 raffle. Once we get to winter, Father will meet with the SVDP board to determine what the long term needs are.
- *Summer*

## **Breakout meeting topics: St. Mary's Immaculate Conception**

- **Status of the Spanish Mass and Spanish ministry** – The Archdiocese currently has a shortage. Fr. Cory (the Dominican chaplain at Ascension) has been coming for 2-3 months. He holds SMIC over in near term. Fr. Kevin will step in every 6 weeks. Fr. Nate will provide Mass update to share how the Parish is progressing during the transition process.
- **Green Tree neighborhood outreach status** – Slips were handed out with the needs for the project and people have through this Sunday to return. As of Monday, 500 items were collected.
- **Review of the current balance sheets and update on the close of the 21-22 fiscal year.**  
The past year was reported to be a good one. Over 1 million was collected for the LOA campaign.
- **Project updates and first draft of LOA cash flow timeline**
  - Current projects:*
    - Driveway (non LOA monies)
    - School Offices (non LOA monies)
  - Fall 2022*
    - \$23,000 to Honduras spread over 2 years
  - Summer 2023*
    - Steeple steps
  - Autumn 202*
    - Rectory
- **Committee Reports:** (As necessary) (No Reports were noted)
  - **Stewardship and Fellowship**– Harold Siercks
  - **Prayer & Worship** – Kathleen Paul
  - **Finance** – Bob Jandre and Bob Wenzlaff
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  - **Faith Formation** – Mitch Ziesmer– Bob Wenzlaff
  - **Human Concerns (includes Honduran Connection** – Oscar Valladares and Melinda Jessup

## **SFC Breakout meeting topics:**

- **Review of the current balance sheets and update on the close of the fiscal year (21-22)** Chris Chlebek explained the balance sheet to the council. Questions and discussions regarding the budget (restricted vs unrestricted funds, where the Little Saints stand, etc. ) were had and we appreciated the time and effort Chris has done with this. Mary Herdrich shared that we are in very good financial state and much of that has to do with the work Fr. Nate has done.
- **LOA proposed cash flow timeline and project timelines** – Chris and Fr. Nate went through the project/cash flow timeline. Due to the roof continuing to leak (much less but still enough to place a hold on installing the mural) the Church renovation is partly on hold. There have been an increase in

prices but the major ones for the Church (pews and mural) are locked in. There will be a point in 2023 that we will either need to use a line of credit (or borrow from reserves) as LOL dollars will not be in yet. Father also shared that they found a water leak in the Ed Center which rotted all the cabinets. Insurance will cover the walls and floors. The back sacristy should be done by this weekend. The day care retaining wall is built so now Russ can return to work on the Chapel.

- **Update of the coordinator of Liturgy position** – This position has been reposted and so far 1 person has applied. Father has a back up plan that would utilize 2 part time people so that Brenda can go full time to Pastoral Care. Nothing is set yet.

### **Committee Reports : (As Necessary)**

- **Stewardship and fellowship – Mike Murphy** – Fall Festival already discussed
- **School – Nick Shera** -Nick was absent but Father shared that an “initial opening discussion” on uniforms will be discussed at the next meeting.
- **Prayer and worship – Lysette Kopecky (includes adoration)** – Some previously discussed. Lysette shared that the Adoration Chapel currently has 333 registered adorers, with 136 substitutes and 268 commitments. Any questions regarding adoration should go to Lysette.
- **Human Concerns – Cathy Spies** – Most previously discussed, but Cathy will have a meeting for Human Concerns with Fr. Kevin in Sept.
- **Finance – Jeff Godbout and Greg Jashinsky** – Already discussed
- **Faith Formation – Dave Zimbal and Dave Vogel**– Next meeting is in Sept.

Father Nate shared that he will be leaving for 2 weeks and then back for 3 weeks, and then on to the Passion play that was rescheduled due to covid.

**Next meeting: Thursday, September 1<sup>st</sup> – 6:45 at SFC**