

Pastoral Council Agenda

August 3 2023

Time: 6:45 pm

Location: SFC Mother Cabrini Hall

Attendees: STAFF

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fr. Strand	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fr. Kevin Harmon	<input type="checkbox"/>	Chris Chlebek (Joint finance)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Deacon Dominic Lazzaroni	<input type="checkbox"/>	(Sem. Intern) Nicholas Waddell	<input type="checkbox"/>	Don Theisen (SMIC finance)

Immaculate Conception (Term-End)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Joe Gresser (Trustee) 1-24	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mary Swosinski (Trustee) 4-25	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mary Hernikl 1-26
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jean Franke 2-24 (Chair)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Brian Staehler 1-26	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Melinda Jessup 1-25
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mitch Ziesmer 1-24 (Vice Chair)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kathleen Paul 2-25	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Bob Jandre 1-24
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Harold Siercks (Secretary) 2-25	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
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Saint Frances Cabrini (Term-End)

<input 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"/>	Gary Coyne 1-26	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	James Surprenant 1-26	<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Gary Coyne 1-26

Meeting Topics:

Welcome reception for Fr. Strand (Jean is bringing subs, ect.)

- **Opening prayer** – Fr. Strand led us in prayer and we shared food (THANKS, JEAN!!) and fellowship.
- **Introduction of all members** – Fr. Strand asked the members to share a little background and what graces they find in their parish. Common graces include; Community, the Adoration Chapel, day Mass, Sacraments, and a giving community.
- **Fr. Strand introduces self and gives his vision for Parish Council**- We reviewed the Archdiocese Parish
- Council Norms (and Mary reminded us that we are a “consulting body.” Father reminded us that our purpose is to represent the parish community. He also wants us to be a strong liaison to our committees. He suggested that we stay together for as much of the meeting as possible and thought we could meet 6 times a year. (Sept. 7, Nov. 9, Jan. 4, March 7, May 2 and June 6) The Sept., Nov. and June meetings will be hosting by SFC and the Nov. Jan., March and May meetings will be hosted by SMIC. These meeting dates need to be verified. Cathy suggested that we do a Council picture to put in the e-bulletin to help the parish know who to go to with questions.
- **Decision on how to handle election of officers: (either separate at this point to vote or Greg J. can chair meeting, and Cathy S can take notes until we separate at the end).** It was decided to let Greg run the meeting and wait until the end to separate and vote on officers.
- **Approval of May combined minutes and June (SFC only) minutes**- The May minutes were approved with a correction of the spelling of “Menomonee Falls” and SFC approved the June minutes.
- **Decision on where and when the Parish picnic will take place** – Mike M reported that Kim Nielsen would prefer to have the joint picnic on Sunday, Oct. 15th at SFC. Originally, we had thought to rotate it between the two parishes, but SMIC felt that SFC has a better location for it. Mary shared that we used to have it at Regner and support a non-profit. Mike wasn’t aware of it and others thought that

we had “simplified” the picnic due to covid. It is not a money maker. Just a chance to get together. Mike did ask for a budget and Mary will get info on that to Mike and Kim.

- **Eucharistic Revival info:** Father shared that the staff has prepared multiple activities during the year to promote the Eucharist, including something similar to the “Holy Habits” cards that Fr. Nate used. Processions will also be done by both parishes. The archdiocese is sending delegations of youth, young adults, and adults from throughout the Archdiocese to attend the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis in Jul of 2024. We will not be organizing a bus, but will encourage those interested to sign up with the Milwaukee Archdiocese.
- **Update on remodeling of the rectory-** We are still waiting on a bid from the AM Construction co. Fr. Strand hopes to get this in 1-2 weeks. There is \$175,000 allocated for the remodeling from the LOA campaign. Once the bid comes in, then they have to look at the budget and go from there. Currently Fr. Kevin and Fr. Jacob are living in a rental.
- **Leadership Development opportunity – Jean received an email stating training opportunities are available for Parish Council. There is a meeting at St. Kilian (Hartford) on Aug. 23.** Jean and Harold shared information on this leadership development opportunity. Mary H. had gone in the past and felt it was valuable. Cathy will send information on this out to all members.

*****We stayed together for most of the breakout topics except for the voting and committee liaison assignments.**

Breakout meeting topics: St. Mary’s Immaculate Conception

- **Update on construction projects –** The Parish offices are now in the old school building. The concrete has been poured for the steps and now they are waiting for the masonry work (to match the church) and then the railings can be installed.
- **Daily Mass –** With the construction going on at SFC, in addition to the 6:15 Mass, SMIC will also host the 8:00 daily Mass except for school Masses on Fridays and Sat. evening and Sunday Masses.
- **Oct. Fish Fry –** St. Marys’ will host a fish fry on Oct. 27, serving from 4-7:30
- **Rummage sale –** The rummage sale will take place Oct. 20, and 21 with collection of items beginning on Oct. 14. Cathy encouraged SMIC to also publicize at SFC as we are not having a rummage sale this year.
- **Green Tree back pack update –** SMIC is currently collecting school supplies/backpacks for Green Tree school. Jean continues to be amazed at how much the parish gives when asked. The collection continues until Aug. 7th.
- **Assign committee liaison positions**
- **Committee Reports:** (As necessary) (New committee liaisons.)
 - **Stewardship and Fellowship–** Harold Siercks (covered previously)
 - **Prayer & Worship –** Kathleen Paul (Kathleen was absent)
 - **Finance –** Bob Jandre and _____ Harold shared that the fiscal year ended with a small surplus
 - **Faith Formation –** Mitch Ziesmer -Mitch was absent, but Harold shared that Mary Abel had another very successful summer of teens helping around the community.

- Human Concerns (includes Honduran Connection – and Melinda Jessup – Melinda shared that members from Honduras will be coming to SMIC. (I didn't get dates??))

Breakout meeting topics: St Francis Cabrini

- **Roof Update-** There were leaks with the latest rain. It was unexpected and the company will be back to address the issue.
- **Construction updates** – Although the roof issue is not resolved, construction is going ahead as the leaks are NOT up by the mural. The carpet is currently being torn up and dry wall will start. As mentioned before, day Mass will be held at SMIC (except for school Fridays,) but Sat. evening and Sunday Masses will be held in the church with a temporary altar being moved in front of a plastic dust barrier. The two school bathrooms that are being redone should be completed by the start of the school year.
- **Parish/School Theme - “Do this in memory of Me”** – The theme is in conjunction with the Eucharistic revival and resources will be shared to go along with this.
- **Hiring of Director of Liturgical Music** Susan DeMarco began work on Aug. 1 and is already starting to plan music for the fall.
- **Little Saints updates** – A tool has been developed to help use data to determine the efficiency of staffing. On the good side, there is a waiting list of 25 (and they hope to put parishioners to the head of the line. Parents seem very happy with the staff.
- **Haiti spaghetti dinner update** - Sept 23. Gary shared that Bill and Walnes are unable to get visas so will not be able to come. Due to the unrest and the gangs, SFC has not been able to go. We still are collecting funds (\$10,000 of LOA money has been used) as there are accounts here and we can get money to them. Although we do not have a usable kitchen, James Jones will make the spaghetti dinner happen (we may use the school kitchen and bring the food to Mother Cabrini Hall.
- **Loss of rummage sale and book sale (what can we do to get volunteers?)** As volunteers have gotten older, we have not been able to attract new people to help. Mike shared how wonderful the “pew removal” went. We had so many show up to help. It was mentioned that if we have a “goal” that can be explained (How will we use the money??) people are more likely to join. We will address this later on.

Committee Reports : (As Necessary) Assign new liaisons.

- Stewardship and fellowship – Mike Murphy (picnic was already addressed)
- School - The numbers look good, and people shared that, although we need a new 2nd grade teacher, Will Waech has brought stability to the school. School numbers look good (206 and possibly up to 210) and there has been no trouble so far with reaction to a formal dress code (implemented on Mass days this year and full implementation next year.) Having Holy Angels and Holy Trinity also doing it makes it easier). We currently do not have a liaison for this committee. It was mentioned that the person doesn't have to have children in the school. Jeff. G. will consider.
- Prayer and worship – Lysette Kopecky (includes adoration) – Hasn't met and Lysette shared that she needs some direction. Many committees fell off during covid, but need to start becoming more active. Mary shared that there is a document that gives the goals of each committee. This would be very helpful. It was also discussed that some of the committees could meet jointly with SMIC>

- Human Concerns Cathy Spies – Committee meets in Sept. Family Promise collections are on hold right now. Cathy will meet with Fr. Jacob (hopefully) prior to the Sept 6 Human concerns meeting.
- Finance – Jeff Godbout and Greg Jashinsky – Pledge cards were discussed. They want to put on the cards what was given the previous year rather than a suggested amount. They hope to also do a better push at estate planning with gifts to SFC.
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- Faith Formation – Dave Zimbal and Dave Vogel – “That Man is You” will start on Wed., Sept. 6 and go through Lent. The Knights of Columbus have donated books and rosaries so once school starts, the students will be learning how to pray the rosary.

Coyne and Jim Surprenant will think about which committee they will join and final liaisons will be determined at the Sept. meeting.

The Pastoral Council separated to vote for Officers:

Individuals were nominated, and then asked if they would accept the nomination.

Council Chair – Greg Jashinsky

Vice-chair – Lysette Kopecky (Greg will get her info on the meetings the vice chair needs to attend)

Secretary – Cathy Spies

**Fr. Harmon will give Jean the dates so the doors will be unlocked by 6:30 and the room at SFC will be set up for the meeting.

Next meeting: Thursday, Sept. 7 at SFC.

Future meetings (tentative)

Nov. 9 (I believe there is a conflict with Nov. 2) at SFC

Jan. 4th at SMIC

March 7th at SMIC

May 2nd at SMIC

June 6th at SFC