## ST. FRANCIS DE SALES PARISH Pastoral Council Meeting June 28, 2017

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Fr. Mark, Daryl Braun, Troy Weis, Millie McCormick, Sandra Cruz, AnneMarie Janikowski, Kathleen Dobbler, Kathie Murray, Kurt Kayser, Mary Ferrini, Gene Bulla, Maureen Redmer, Martha Cucco, Greg Desecki and Lois Maywald. The meeting was called to order by Troy Weis at 6:35. The opening prayer was led by Kathleen Dobbler. Greg made a motion to accept the minutes of the May meeting. Mille seconded and the minutes were accepted.

**Fr. Mark** met with Fr. Sergio and Judy Esch from St. Ben's regarding the scheduling. They have decided that whichever priest does mass on Saturday and Sunday at St. Francis de Sales, he will also do the daily masses there that week. Fr. Mark will have office hours at St. Francis on Monday and at St. Ben's on Tuesday. On Wednesday and Friday, he will go wherever the need is greatest. Thursday is his day off. The council meetings will stay on Wednesday. The day for the cluster meetings will be decided later. He mentioned the search for a Director of Religious Education. Michael Deane is working on it. Lori Glass is to be the new DRE taking over the 5K-8 classes as of July 1st. Michael Deane will continue working with the high school students. Kathleen has been teaching the middle school students from public school Religious Education and she will also contact Lori. He said he would like to have a youth position on council.

**175**<sup>th</sup> **Anniversary:** Millie said we need to sell more tickets. 120 have been sold. We need to provide a preliminary count on July 6<sup>th</sup>. Fr. Mark said he will check with the committee about having talks to promote it at masses. We need to look at what groups can sell tickets, etc. in the vestibule and have guidelines for use of the bulletin for articles. Lois read an e-mail she received about having a picnic for the kids. Millie said we could look into something for the kids in the fall.

Martha mentioned that John Baumgartner will be saying his first masses here on August 5 and 6. We will have hospitality that weekend. She is concerned that we are going to have a big turnout for the anniversary mass. She is working on having a live stream for the service. Nick Vorpagel said he would run it. The committee is putting together a historical booklet. It was discussed whether it should be free with a ticket to the anniversary dinner – one booklet to a family, and this was accepted. The others will be sold for \$5.00. They are trying to get underwriters to cover the cost of printing. Sandra said the Hispanic community is paying for the flowers and they will also make the arrangements.

Second Collections at Mass: Gene Bulla said he has heard complaints about the number of second collections at mass. Sandra suggested that an announcement should be made the week before so people know what is coming. Daryl wondered how the Stewardship committee fits in with the collections. Martha said there should be a communication coordinator since we now have so many mediums to use. Daryl said we have enough in the Angel Fund that we should not have to do it every month. AnneMarie said a group should make a proposal to the Stewardship committee and then meet with the committee for the rules and requirements for the collection. The group would make an announcement in church the week before. Mary Ferrini made a motion to have second collections once

a month. AnneMarie seconded it. Kurt said a group should look at the whole year and how to schedule them. Gene volunteered to set up a committee to review the number of Special Collections. Martha suggested looking at the amount of money that came in. The motion for collections once a month did not pass. The Stewardship committee will decide when the second collections should take place. Fr. Mark said we will try having announcements after communion until after Labor Day.

Fall Festival: Kathie said they have had a notice in the bulletin. They will be selling tickets this weekend.

**Scheduling Upcoming Meetings:** Millie met with Barb Makovec. Our next council meeting will be July 19. There will be no meeting in August. The next cluster meeting will be in September.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Chairperson:** Millie welcomed the new council members. She said she will find out if there is a form to submit the names to the Archdiocese.

**Prayer and Worship:** Kathie met with Michael Deane to find out what the Prayer and Worship committee does. They set a goal to get volunteers and have training for the volunteers for altar servers, Eucharistic ministers, etc. They are trying to have one head of each such group to be their contact. The goal is to meet August 22<sup>nd</sup> with the liaisons, have a volunteer recruitment in September and have training at the end of October. They hope to repeat it again in February so they will be staffed for Easter. They would like to have three a year in September, February and June. They are thinking of having benefits such as picnics for the altar servers. Millie asked about having adult servers. Kathie said they could put something in the Sign-up Wizard. Gene suggested having a project at the religious education classes. Kathleen is thinking about having a Religious Education student involved in the mass a few times a year or having them do the mass as St. Francis School children now do.

**Hispanic Community:** Sandra said the statue of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be arriving on Friday. Fr. Sergio is doing a special mass on Sunday. Tuesday, December 12 is the birthday of Our Lady. They are hoping to have a vigil on December 11 and mass on December 12. They would also like to see a once a year celebration. Sandra is thinking of having a special fund raiser for this purpose. She would also like to see a family to welcome Hispanics to the parish. They also need to register. Martha reminded us that the statue cannot be moved once it is in place.

**Stewardship:** Martha said Project 2017 is winding down. They are almost to the end of the projects. The Our Lady of Guadalupe statue is coming on Friday. Training for the Hearing Loop is coming up for the ushers. The money pledged is \$2,081,000. We have collected \$1,230,000. They have a line of credit, but they don't think they will need it. The last meeting of the committee will be in July. All that is left is the parking lot. The money left over will be used by Building and Grounds as they see a need. The blog will continue to be run. Margaret Ring is in the process of doing a church tour booklet. John Baumgartner's ordination is July 22<sup>nd</sup>. We will have a bus, and the cost to ride is \$15. The Lake Geneva Historical Society is presenting St. Francis with a plaque. The community will be invited for the dedication. There will be a welcome for Fr. Mark and Fr. Sergio on two Sundays. It will be a Meet and

Greet. Millie and Steve Often have been phoning new parishioners to welcome them. There will be a volunteering recruitment and the October boat cruise for volunteers.

**Finance:** Daryl prepared a report. It was tabled until July. He said Troy has volunteered for School Choice administrator. Rose Lemke was instrumental in pushing for a full audit of expenses. We will need to do this next year. She suggested that we meet with them ahead of time, so they are having a meeting on how we do our expenses so we do not have trouble with the audit next year. Kathie suggested that students enrolled in School Choice have conferences every week or month to see if everything is going well. This is especially important as students will be coming from public school and have to get used to a Catholic school. Daryl said the budget was signed today.

## **ROUNDTABLE:**

Kathleen said there will be three new joint youth ministry classes this summer.

Lois mentioned that she did not get the badge holders back from some members leaving council. She said she could get six new ones for \$17.29. The members said to go ahead and buy them.

Closing prayer was led by Millie.

Respectfully submitted,

Lois Maywald Secretary