Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

May 12, 2022

1. Prayer and Attendance

Cheryl called to order a meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council at 8:00pm, on May 12, 2022 via Zoom. The following persons were present: Heather Duggan, Cheryl Khoury, Fr. Tim Coonen, Anne Marie Bazinet-Miller, Maureen Cerroni, Angela Davis, Sue-Anne Hess, Christina Ullett and Joseph Duggan.

Regrets: Chad Glendinning, Mary Dalipaj, Nicola Whitehouse

- **2. Agenda:** Addition: 5.2 Hiring committee, 5.3 Gathering and uniting ministries and outreach. Motion to approve by Angela, seconded by Anne Marie
- **3. Approval of minutes:** Minutes from the April meeting were approved, motion to approve by Cheryl, seconded by Angela

4. Business arising

4.1 Truth and Reconciliation Committee TRC:

The committee continues to meet monthly. Indigenous elders have been invited to the June meeting. The committee has received proposals from parishioners with ideas of what they would like to see happen.

The Listening to Indigenous Voices study group has 3 more sessions. Donna Naughton from the Kateri Native Ministry will join one of these sessions.

Several parishioners attended the blanket exercise at St. Joe's that was organized by Sue-Anne. We will look at doing a blanket exercise at Canadian Martyrs in the future. M

Maureen and George Cameron-Caluori have been attending the sessions offered by the Jesuit Forum. George may be willing to lead sessions in the future.

4.2 Synod – What now?

The report from our sharing circles was sent to the archdiocese. Twenty-nine reports had to be condensed into one report. The committee is now working on a report for the parish, answering the question: "How do we live Synodality?", and considering a parish event. What parishes learn about themselves from their sharing circles is important.

4.3 Volunteer Appreciation Event

A volunteer appreciation pizza dinner/ice cream sundaes will be held on Saturday, June 4 after Mass. There will be an acknowledgement of our wonderful volunteers and a blessing at both Masses and our Zoom liturgy. The parish will pay for the pizza and ice cream. There will be muffins and cookies after Mass on Sunday.

Action item: Parish council members will help the pizza night team on June 4th with setting up and cleaning up. An announcement will be put in the bulletin and included in the announcements after weekend Masses, and an invitation will be sent to ministries and committee members.

4.4 Charitable donations

It was decided to give the same \$ amounts to the charities that were supported in 2021 and to give the remaining \$450 to Immaculata's Chaplain's Fund. Motion to approve by Anne Marie, seconded by Sue-Anne.

4.5 Mass on the Grass

Heather to ask for volunteers to BBQ in Mass announcements.

5. New Business

5.1 Feedback on relaxing of Covid safety measures

We are being cautious but balanced in our approach to Covid safety measures. There are parishioners that have told us that they are happy that every other pew is still closed. Others are staying away until Covid numbers improve.

5.2 Hiring Committee

Cheryl has agreed to sit on this committee and help in hiring a new parish life coordinator.

5.3 Gathering and Uniting Ministries and Outreach

Get committees working together, have a way to unify committees and ministries. We are struggling to come back together after the pandemic.

Bring Truth and Reconciliation into all committees. Look for ways that committees and ministries can work together e.g. on outward sign/symbol of our commitment to Truth and Reconciliation.

Action Item: Look at this again in the Fall.

6. Pastoral Team Report

Maureen will be retiring on June 26th but will remain as the Pastoral Worker for the Deaf community.

Numbers are increasing at Masses (80 - 100 people on Sundays)

There will be a baptism in May outside of Mass

Our church dog, Skyli, passed away in April and her presence is greatly missed in the office.

7. Finance Committee Report

Joseph Duggan, Chair of Finance Committee and Christina Ullett, accountant for Finance Committee presented the PPC with a summary of the receipts and disbursements for 2021 (https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1KnWKe7W3cv8IdIV9pvDM2Y4g7VhalbAj?usp=sharing).

At the end of 2021 we had a surplus. The parish outreach included \$14,662 from the Poor and Needy donations and \$6150 from the interest on the Tobin Estate (50% of the interest from the Tobin Estate goes to outreach). \$11,379 was distributed from Ordered Collections.

Donations to the church are slightly lower in 2022 so far.

Admin tax is mandated by Canon Law and is 13% of Donations, One Time donations and Stole fees. It is paid to OMI - St. Peter's Province.

Interest is generated from the Tobin, Restoration Fund and donated shares which are invested with OMI Lacombe at 4% interest.

The parish has funds in case of maintenance emergencies such as the recent electrical outage in the parish centre. Large maintenance bills are paid from our reserve funds.

Projects for 2022:

WiFi in the church: we have received an estimate of \$250 to install a modem in the church.

New flooring in the parish centre

Deck repairs and the accessible ramp

The parish has not received the bill for the electrical work done to restore power to the parish centre.

Action item: The church had a Green Audit done about 5 years ago. The Finance Committee will revisit the Green Audit document and share a list of suggested repairs/projects with the PPC.

8. Other business

None

9. **Next meeting:** June 9th, 7pm

Meeting adjourned at 9:45pm