**Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes**

November 8, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM.

The Opening Prayer was led by Deacon John.

Members Present: Fr. Chuck, Deacon John, Steve Browning, Al Duke, Mic Griben, Rick Heiland, Terri Horrigan, Doug Koch, Gloria Murray, Cris Upperman

Members Absent: Deacon Jerry, Ryan Reid, Samantha Reid

Minutes

The minutes of September and October, 2022, were approved as amended, on a motion by Mic, seconded by Terri, and by a vote of 7-0.

Reading of communications

There were no communications to report.

Pastor’s Report

Christmas in the Country – there is a hurricane coming, it will be held rain or shine; the dinner will be a sit-down dinner; lots of people are needed to help set up; need to support our vendors.

The Archdiocesan Audit is finished. We have 30 days to respond to the report. There were no major issues.

Advent starts at the end of November.

Gift card sales will go to support the Bicentennial.

Committee Reports

Bicentennial (2023)

There will be a Bicentennial Committee meeting next week. The first two raffles have finished and we are starting on the third. We will have tickets and ornaments for sale at Christmas in the County.

Education

Terri reported that Carolyn noted:

* RCIA has one consistent candidate
* Women's Group has been meeting once a month with good success
* Adult Study - *Four Last Things -* is midway though the program with lots of good discussions
* Ageless Ventures - Seniors group meet monthly for fellowship, prayer, education, and outreach opportunities

Evangelization (remains in abeyance)

Finance

Mic reported that no meeting had been held and probably won’t be until after the first of the year

The Committee thanked Father Chuck for his talk on finances.

Health and Safety

Meeting was held on September 22. We received the money ($16,770) from the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for the doors. The issue of crosswalk lights will be discussed at our next meeting.

Liturgy

Deacon John said the next meeting is November 14. All Saints and All Souls Days recently took place. The latter was especially in honor of those parishioners who died this last year. This is the first time we have done this and we hope it becomes a tradition.

Maintenance

Doug had nothing to report

Planning

The committee will meet after the first of the year.

The Archdiocese wants their people to come out to talk to us (to all parishes, actually) about deferred maintenance and planning for it. Since we already have a deferred maintenance plan (the Capital Reserve Plan) we would like to put this off. The Planning Committee has been asked to update our plan so it can be forwarded in our request for deferment.

Social Concerns

The committee will meet in January.

Vocations

Nothing to report

Old Business

After some discussion, a slate of candidates was determined. It is:

President – Rick Heiland

Vice President – Terri Horrigan

Secretary – Alan Duke

The slate was elected by acclamation, 7-0.

New Business

There was no new business.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Mic and seconded by Rick, and passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 PM. The next regular meeting is Tuesday, December 6, 2022.

Closing prayer: Fr. Chuck

Submitted by A. Duke, Secretary

Approved at December 6, 2022, Pastoral Council meeting.