

## Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

June 8, 2023

St. Mary Catholic Faith Community

Hales Corners, WI

Present: Fr. Aaron Laskiewicz, Jim Podewils, Maureen Riemer, Patti Peters, Lynn Czaplewski, Tom Frederickson, David Fritz, Deb Gonnella, Mike Hamlin, Andre Lesperance, Mary Matestic, Janet Miller, Steven Rice, Clem Budney

Excused: Tammy DuBois

**Opening Prayer:** Fr. Aaron led a One Percent Prayer.

**Approval of Pastoral Council Minutes:** The [Pastoral Council Minutes 051123.docx](#) were approved.

### Liaison Reports:

- **Deanery** [Deanery Minutes 032923.docx](#)
- **Pastoral Care**
  - First meeting, as a commission, will be held next Wednesday.
    - The Committees will include:
      - Prayer Shawl
      - Funeral Hosts
      - Nursing Homes
      - Hospital
      - Homebound
- **Social Concerns** [Social Concerns Minutes 0517202.docx](#)

### Mission Review Update:

One commission voiced a concern about getting all of the chairpersons named by September. Jim Powedils and Fr. Aaron will be meeting with each Commission this Summer.

### Love One Another Capital Campaign Update:

St. Mary receives Love One Another funds quarterly from the Archdiocese as the money is received. St. Mary currently has approximately \$300,000 on deposit. Capital improvements can only be made after the funds are received.

Staff will be writing up the request to redo the upper parking lot. Work will not begin until after Festival weekend, July 7-9.

### **Pastoral Council Members: Thank You and Looking Ahead**

Fr. Aaron thanked all the Pastoral Council members for their service. Four individuals have their three-year term ending: Tom Frederickson, Deb Gonnella, Andre Lesperance, and Jim Podewils. All of these individuals could go through discernment to seek another term on the Pastoral Council. However, Tom Frederickson announced that he would not be discerning for another term as he has taken a position at the Archdiocese of Milwaukee working in Human Resources. He did not want to have a conflict of interest by being on Council. Also, Andre Lesperance will not be discerning because he is going to be ministering once a month with music, prayer and Eucharistic Adoration starting on August 30. It will be called "Magnify". He is working with Jeff Kacala to launch this prayer experience.

### **Administrator's Report:**

- Corpus Christi, Procession will be held through the neighborhood, but if it rains, the Procession will be moved indoors.
- We will have a Sequence after the second reading at the Corpus Christi mass.
- Festival will be held July 7-9, 2023; the parish is in need of more and new volunteers.
- Dn. Oliver Omega will be ordained on June 9, 2023. He will be back at St. Mary on July 2, 2023 for his Thanksgiving mass at 9 AM and 11 AM.
- Patronal Feast is the weekend of August 12-13.
- School lets out on Friday, June 9, 2023. There will be a Parish and School staff picnic in the afternoon.
- Fr. Aaron is attending the Pastor's Toolbox session this week at Sacred Heart.

### **What are you Hearing?**

- 50th Anniversary celebration groups felt welcomed at St. Mary parish.
- Single mother had mentioned her schedule did not allow her to make the current adoration hours on Mondays.

**Blessing:** The meeting closed with a blessing.

Submitted by: Patti Peters, Secretary