

**Parish Pastoral Council Minutes**  
**Thursday June 27, 2019**  
**St Bonaventure School, Room 8 5:30 pm**

Members present: Linda Levos, Tyler Erickson, Diane Schneider (LOL), Kim Arlt (Admin/Finance), Stephanie Johnson (Charity and Justice), Tim Cumberland (Leadership Team), Clete Pillen (Leadership Team)

Trustees present: Don Heimes, Dennis Grennan

Members excused: Cheryl Rambour, Belinda Keiter, Dianne Keiter

Ex Officio: Fr. Mike Swanton

Opening prayer: Fr. Mike Swanton

Call to Order: Fr. Mike Swanton

Fr. Mike asked that all reports from the Seven Areas of Parish Life be emailed to the PPC secretary and then will be relayed to all members for review.

Prayer and Worship – Tim Cumberland spoke for the prayer and worship team. The prayer team met June 12<sup>th</sup> and decided on two action items. First, to bring back the St. Bonaventure prayer said before each Mass with the approval of Fr. Mike. Second, is to include intercessory prayer (prayer on behalf of others) when the Seven Areas of Parish Life teams meet. Intercession unites our hearts and renews our hope and faith, and causes multiple blessings to return to the intercessor. Dianne Keiter has been diligently working with “Go-Getter Greeters”. These greeters will stand outside of the exterior doors and personally welcome those who are attending Mass. This is a great way to build relationships within our parish and community.

Catechesis – Fr. Mike said that Cheryl Rambour has been energizing RCIA with new recruits. He is very excited with the progress.

Evangelization and Community Building – Belinda Keiter sent an email on the progress of the evangelization and community building team. These are the action items: “Spirits on Fire” begins July 27<sup>th</sup> with Fr. Bill Creamers. Speakers have been booked up through October. “Discovering Christ” will kick off with a seven-week series. A Parish Mission is scheduled for January 25 – 29, 2019 with Deacon Ralph Poya. “REBOOT” with Chris Stefanick is October 7, 2020, and Fr. Dick Gielow will present a parish mission March 6 – 10, 2021. These dates will be posted in all three parish bulletins.

Justice and Charity – Stephanie Johnson attended a St. Vincent de Paul informational meeting June 26<sup>th</sup>. Her action item is the need for more teams to be involved from St. Bonaventure parish and will be contacting parishioners who have shown interest in this ministry. It was suggested that current St. Vincent de Paul volunteers give their testimony and the impact this ministry has made for those less fortunate in our community at weekend Masses. Stephanie’s second action item is that she is working with Holli Bettenhausen, Scotus Central Catholic cafeteria staff, about the parish responsibility for cleaning after weekend Masses. The St. Bonaventure cleaning team has been notified.

Administration/Finance – Kim Arlt noted that the fiscal year ends June 30, 2019 and next year’s budget was submitted and approved by the Archdiocese of Omaha. Kim stated that the committee for the “Night of Entertainment” is looking for volunteers to help. Stephanie and Tanner Johnson are in charge of getting items for the raffle tickets and Kim Arlt has lined up helpers for decorating.

Don Heimes reassured the council that the parish is financially in good shape considering all of the projects taking place. Fr. Mike’s house will go up for sale in July. All three parish bulletins will have it advertised.

Don continued the previous subject of financial responsibility of all parishioners brought up at our last meeting by Tim Cumberland. Of our parish \$2.2 million budget, 73 – 74% of our operating expenses goes to education (grade school, high school, RCIA, religious education) meeting our parish mission. It is now time to explain the financial responsibility of our parish families who are sending their children to Catholic school about the amount each parish subsidizes to keep the tuition cost down. These families need (their responsibility) to be engaged in not only paying school tuition, but continue tithing and volunteering their time/participation (service hours) to their parish.

Project 2020 - Dennis Grennan said that the steering committee is meeting every two weeks now that demo and building is occurring. All bids are in. There will be a bulletin insert with a progress report and a “Town Hall” meeting is scheduled for July 21<sup>st</sup> in the Scotus cafeteria presented by the steering committee. The church will close after 6:30 pm Mass July 14, 2019 and Masses will be held in the Scotus cafeteria through November. Perpetual Adoration will move to the Scotus chapel also at this time. Joan John will inform all adorers. A hand rail and keypad entry have been installed at the south chapel doors at Scoyus for adorers to enter.

Leadership Team – no report

Pastoral Report – Fr. Mike asked that all members continue using “Member Engagement” taking the ideas and action items back to their committees to continue parish growth in faith.

Closing Prayer: Fr. Mike

Next Meeting: Thursday, August 22, 2019 at St. Bonaventure School Room 8

Meeting adjourned: 6:45 pm

Respectfully submitted: Linda Levos, PPC Secretary