Our Lady of the Lakes

Parish Pastoral Council Minutes

September 18, 2017

Location: St. Januarius

Members Present: Ann Paige, Lou Tyrrell, Cathy Matulewicz, Fred Bonhag, Sharon Peck, Matt Tette, Marty Reynolds, Therese Hebding, Tim Hebding, Fr. Leo, Fr. Felicjan

Members Absent: Sarah Parshall, Darwyn Jepsen, Patsy Lentz

Opening Prayer: Fr. Leo

Minutes: The August minutes were accepted as written.

Agenda: The September agenda was accepted as written.

Old Business: - Diocesan Mass is Sept. 22.

- Parish Pride event: Oct. 15 with the Bishop. Fr. Leo will collect questions and he will host the gathering. Catholic Daughters will take care of refreshments with help from others. Rosary may or may not be included.

- Parish Council Retreat - Nov. 4 from 9 to 2 at Cobblestone Springs. Sign ups will be at October meeting.

- Reminder to keep book of minutes updated at each worship site.

- Members should check new website and offer feedback.

- Book Study: still looking for book. This may be expanded into the parish.

Fr. Leo: - CMA: goal is $59,789. Participation rate for last year was 31%. The theme is “Glorifying the Lord by our Lives.”

- Capital Campaign 2018: still no definite decision on this. It won’t happen at least until spring.

- Suggested a parish-wide celebration based on Mary. This will be discussed at later meetings.

- Mass schedule adjustment: no definite decision. Maybe eliminate 7 am mass from Labor Day until Memorial Day or from Columbus Day Weekend to Memorial Day. The Keuka College Mass has been eliminated. Fr. Leo will make the final decision with input from others.

Seven Elements: - Stewardship: Deb Smith has resigned from committee. She will complete printouts for each worship site with all volunteers listed, both current and new. Tithing is ongoing, with an emphasis on electronic giving. May try to use pledge cards.

- Evangelization: Fr. Leo suggested looking at bulk mailings to reach more people. Should the parish make this investment? Think about this and it will be discussed later.

- Communication: All items to be put on website should be sent to Patty Larzelere.

Standing Committees: - St. Mike’s: planning another Care of the Community meeting.

- St. Pat’s: Lots of volunteers for ministries. There will be a Care of the Community meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 20.

- St. Theresa’s: There will be a Care of the Community meeting soon.

- St. Jan’s: Help is still needed for the Grape Festival sale. The Community Thanksgiving Dinner and Ecumenical Service will be held on Nov. 12.

Meeting ended at 8:30 p.m. with a prayer.

Next meeting is Monday, October 16 at 7 p.m. at St. Theresa’s

Respectively submitted,

Connie Murphy

Recording Secretary