Our Lady of the Lakes

Parish Pastoral Council Minutes

July 8, 2019

Location: St. Michael’s

Members Present: Ann Paige, Sharon Peck, Jeanne Underhill, Trisha Wilber, Lou Tyrrell, Patsy Lentz, Darwyn Jepsen, Pat Halferty, Marty Reynolds, Jim Lindner, Fr. Leo, Fr. Jorge

Members Absent: Tim Hebding

Guests: Kate Ring, Patty Larzelere

Opening Prayer: Fr. Leo

Minutes: The June minutes were accepted as written.

Agenda: The July agenda was accepted as written.

Organizational: - Conflict of Interest forms were signed.

- Members approved holding meetings the third Monday of the month at 7 pm.

- Ann Paige will continue as chairman.

She noted achievements: a full council, a reading program, stewardship is vibrant, the bulletin looks livelier. It is now time to move forward - from maintenance to mission.

Quick Check: Relegation of St. Theresa’s

- CMA: a donation of a $6,000 trust plus several other donations cuts the deficit in half.

- St. Mike’s School is looking for a principal.

- The weekly message from Gary is a nice addition to the bulletin. This allows for transparency - no surprises. OLOL ends the fiscal year with a $25,000 to $30,000 deficit, not counting the school. With the school factored in, the deficit is $80,000 to $90,000. The school owes the parish about a quarter of a million dollars.

- The last mass at St. Theresa’s: About 90 people attended mass, with 60 or so staying for the meal. It was emotional. The 30-day period for comments about closing the church is almost up. Forms will then be submitted to the Diocese before the September meeting. Once the relegation is approved, the site can be sold.

Book Discussion: Insights: hospitality, homilies, hymns, need to welcome all people to worship (it should be hour of peace and solace to those in trouble), assessment, what do we value?,

How vital are we to the community?

Make Sundays important again.

- Council members agreed to look further into the Alpha program.

**Agenda items: Go to alpha.org/catholic and read over the material.**

**Work on mission statement.**

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

The next meeting is Monday, August 19 at 7 pm at St. Michael’s. .

Respectively submitted,

Connie Murphy

Recording Secretary