Our Lady of the Lakes

Parish Pastoral Council Minutes

October 21, 2019

Location: St. Mike’s

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

Members Absent: Tim Hebding

Guests: Patty Larzelere, Kate Ring

Opening Prayer: Fr. Leo

Welcome: New (and returning) member Andy Beigel from St. Jan’s.

Minutes: The September minutes were accepted as written.

Agenda: The October agenda was accepted as written.

Quick Check: - St. Theresa’s: Clifton Springs and Shortsville are interested in some items for their worship sites. Monday, Oct. 28 will be clean out afternoon to take whatever items are wanted; rest will stay with the buildings. Anyone interested in helping should meet at the church at 1 pm.

 - CMA: Goal: $60,706. To date: $2,995 pledged.

 - Diocesan update: Fr. Leo and Gary will meet with the new superintendent of schools in Rochester.

 - Stewardship: There wasn’t much interest in the on-line giving information offered after masses on Oct. 19 & 20. Arrangements may also be made through one’s bank.

 - Annual Retreat: Nov. 2 from 9 am to 2 pm at Cobblestone Springs.

 - Anyone interested in attending the regional forum on Monday, Oct. 26 should let Ann know.

 - Ann reminded people to stay active on various subcommittees.

 - Cemetery Committee: using grant money to upgrade grounds.

 - St. Jan’s Care of the Community: The Grape Festival brought in $13,525. There is new cement at the front entrance; want to replace carpeting; Saturday Mass will move to the chapel after Nov. 1; The Community Thanksgiving Dinner is Nov. 17.

Mission Statement: After making some changes, the following mission statement was decided upon:

 *We come together in our common faith as God’s Holy People. Strengthened by the Word of God and His sacraments, we go forth in faith to love and serve one another.*

 This mission statement will replace the old one on the cover of the bulletin. Beginning the first Sunday of Advent, it will be recited at the end of Mass, after the blessing.

Name Tags: The name tag will have Our Lady of the Lakes logo, Person’s Name, and “I have called you by name. Isaiah 43:1” at the bottom. Deb Smith will create a template. This will be kicked off at St. Pat’s on Nov. 10. Are we ready for “radical hospitality?” Snowbirds are invited to leave their name tags at OLOL to be put into a basket on the altar so they will be remembered during the winter.

Alpha Program: Prayer is very important and ongoing through each session. Fr. Leo would like suggestions for people to be prayer leaders. A pilot (20-25 people) program will begin after Lent, maybe the end of April. The first program could begin in the fall. It is important to be listeners, rather than try to change people’s minds. How to educate people about the program?

**Agenda items: View one of the videos from Alpha. Concentrate on Alpha at the November meeting.**

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

The next meeting is Monday, Nov. 18 at 7 pm at St. Mike’s.

Respectively submitted,

Connie Murphy

Recording Secretary