

St. Michael Pastoral Council

Meeting Minutes

June 7, 2016

- I. Opening Prayer by Fr. Greg at 7:01 pm**
- II. Attendance:** Fr. Greg, Fr. Brandon, Pat Jennings (vice-chair and facilitator), Colleen Roberts, Pierre Geoffrion, Maggie McFadden, Tom McFadden, Matt Surrell, and Cindy Ampe. Ronda Taylor, guest.
- III. Approval of minutes from last meeting. Approved as written.**
- IV. Approval of the Agenda:** Additions are: Parish Council Annual Report due; Totus Tuus at St. Michael Church; SCRIP proceeds to parish.
- V. St. Michael Committee Reports/Minutes:** Committee meeting reports:
 - Development – Matt:** Seminarian Endowment fund presentation by Fr. Ben Hasse on 5/22/16 had small attendance. Although hope is for some large contributions to come forward, they are also welcoming small donations. Some parishioners may have misunderstood, so did not attend. Fundraising is continuing in the bulletin and in the pews. They are also looking for feedback from committees from February Leadership meeting.
 - Building & Grounds – Pierre:** was not aware meeting was held and minutes not available.
 - Finance – Pat:** New fiscal year parish budget submitted. CCM budget to be submitted. CCM receives \$50,000 from Diocese. Fr. Brandon is coordinating a bike race to increase CCM funds for special projects.
 - Worship – Cindy:** Sam Holmberg, Diocesan Director of Sacred Music, will be speaking to our priests, musicians and Worship Committee on direction of sacred music in our Diocese on 6/9; Planning for an outdoor Mass at 10:30 on Sunday 8/21 prior to the parish picnic, Cindy will contact Diocese for approval of outdoor Mass; The Mission through “Embraced by God” will be held 3/18 – 3/22/2017. Topic to be chosen soon.
 - Christian Service/Evangelization – Colleen:** Michelle Fortunato, St. Michael RATI coordinator, now has 6 parishioners who will assist her in coordination; Sally Luft is coordinating lunches for Habitat for Humanity in July; Diocesan Evangelization Summit will be held 8/27.
 - Stewardship – Pierre:** No meeting.
 - Youth – Maggie and Cindy:** Youth groups continue to be very active. Many of our HS grads took on liturgical ministry roles during the Mass honoring them on 5/22.
- VI. Report on Parish Events/Follow-up items:**
 - A. 2/23/16 Leadership meeting – Fred:** Deferred.
 - B. Youth Mission Endurance Run – Cindy:** Event was held on 5/20 with over 100 youth participating. Very positive event.
 - C. Seminarian Endowment Presentation 5/22 – Fred:** No financial information available.
 - D. Basketball court on parish grounds:** Fr. Brandon said there have been increasing issues with youth/young adults using the court, with neighbors reporting loud music and inappropriate language. He said they will be posting signs with a curfew of 9 pm, pick up trash and no loitering.
- VII. Parish Council By-Laws:** Copies of approved bylaws distributed to members.
- VIII. New Business/Upcoming Parish Diocesan Events:**

- A. Patty Pemble, secretary, retired May 31, 2016 - Fr. Greg:** Retirement social was held after the 10:30am Mass on 6/5/16. Kay Rambo will be starting on 6/8 and will job share with Diane Noel. Cathy Savela has been hired as an office assistant (10 hrs/wk).
- B. Parish Picnic:** Ronda Taylor has taken lead on the 8/21 picnic. The Altar Society and Men's Club have donated \$150 for the picnic. Ronda is seeking more volunteers to help with this event. Rusty Bowers will again be DJ for the event as well as setting up the sound system for the Mass. Committee is still looking at purchasing our own tent. We are hoping to have NMU students and their families attend the picnic.
- C. Totus Tuus (Totally Yours) – Fr. Brandon:** Will be held at St. Michael Church July 11 – 15 for youth ages kindergarten to 12th grade. This annual program is dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting Catholic faith through evangelization, catechesis, Christian witness and Eucharistic worship. Numerous activities are offered to inspire young people to give themselves to Christ.
- D. Replacement for Maggie and Nathan - Committee:** Cindy will write up announcement of vacancies for presider to announce at Mass and for the bulletin. Plan will be to have new youth at our next meeting.
- E. “My Parish” App - Cindy:** The app. is up and running. Anne Dehring has asked PC to brainstorm on how we can get more parishioners involved in using the app. Tom suggested we contact Justin Carlson, a member of our parish, who might be helpful with using our app. The committee suggested we roll the formal introduction of the app out in the fall.
- F. Parish Council Annual Report - Committee:** Items to include are: Appointment of a PC liaison to each parish committee outlined in the bylaws; Updated PC bylaws; Helped coordinate and lead the Parish leaders to develop parish needs.
- G. Our Lady of Fatima Statue – Matt:** The statue of the Blessed Mother, carved of wood from a tree from Fatima. The statue will be at St. Michaels for a week starting 6/25. There will be information on the travelling statue available. Sharon Danny is the Diocesan Steward for the UP tour of the statue.
- H. SCRIP Proceeds – Matt:** Matt suggested that we need to increase parish awareness on the profits our parish and school receive from SCRIP sales. Cindy will follow-up on this for the next meeting.
- IX. Comments From and Feedback for Pastor / Associate Pastor / Council Members:**
 - A.** Committee members commented on the positive comments they have received from parishioners regarding Fr. Brandon's involvement with CCM students. Parishioners are aware and appreciate the positive impact the student's involvement in parish life adds to the parish.
- X. Adjournment and Closing “Year of Mercy Prayer” at 8:55 pm.**

Next meeting is Tuesday August 2, 2016 at 7 pm. There will not be a July meeting as the date is too close to the July 4th weekend. Fred will send out a reminder.

Minutes submitted by: Cindy Ampe

Minutes approved by: