

St. Michael Pastoral Council

Meeting Minutes

February 2, 2016

- I. Opening Prayer by Fr. Greg at 7:04 pm**
- II. Attendance:** Fr. Greg, Fred Taccolini(chair and facilitator), Colleen Roberts, Pat Jennings, Pierre Geoffrion, Maggie McFadden, Matt Surrell, Nathan Rotundo and Cindy Ampe.
- III. Approval of minutes from last meeting. Approved as written.**
- IV. Approval of the Agenda:** Several items were asked to be added. Cindy requested that all additions to the agenda be given to Fred at least five days prior to the meeting so he can review them with Fr. Greg. This will allow all members to be prepared for the meeting as well as have these items on the agenda for the meeting.
- V. St. Michael Committee Reports/Minutes:** Committee meeting reports:
 - Development** – Matt – Committee did meet but minutes not available. Committee is searching for programs to develop a campaign to increase parish tithing.
 - Building & Grounds** – Pierre – no recent meeting.
 - Finance** – Pat – committee is following up on recent annual report
 - Worship** – Cindy – Preparing for Lent and Holy Week liturgies. Will again have Tacos/Tenebrae on Wednesday of Holy Week. Cindy will be in office all of Ash Wednesday to distribute ashes to those who cannot attend Mass. Veneration Cross will be on display in Gathering Space all of Lent. Planning 24 Hour Vigil for sick during Lent.
 - Christian Service/Evangelization** – Colleen – Thank yous were received from the Care Clinic for donations received from parishioners during Advent and birthday party at Lake Superior Village; 300 Rediscover Books have been ordered, will be distributed the weekend prior to start of Lent where parishioners will be encouraged to sign up for a book related study group; tithing financials were reviewed.
 - Stewardship** – Pierre – Committee is evaluating two evangelization programs, “Casting Nets” and “Seven Pillars of Effective Evangelization”. They are evaluating a webinar “Loaves and Fishes” which helps build on parishioner talents.
 - Youth** – Maggie and Cindy (added as suggested by PC) – Maggie will be attending one of their meetings soon.
- VI. Report on Parish Events/Follow-up items:**
 - a) **Parish Annual Report/Parishioner Financial Report distribution:** The annual report is prepared by Loreene Zeno Koskey and Gerry Waite. Both reports were distributed together this year.
 - b) **Cantor Welcome - Cindy:** The Worship Committee discussed the concern for the word “worship” in the Mass welcome. The committee decided to leave the welcome as is.
- VII. Review of PC By-Laws:**

- a) Bring revisions to 3/2016 PC meeting.

VIII. Open Issues:

- a) **“Rediscover Jesus” Book Purchase - Cindy:** As above in Evangelization meeting.
- b) **“My Parish App” - Cindy:** Anne Dehring has been working on this. She is going to recommend forming a “Communication Committee” at the Leadership meeting, as many issues about privacy and development have been expressed as we utilize the internet more to enhance our parish communication.
- c) **“Year of Mercy” – Fr. Greg & Matt:** Matt will be debuting the presentation he developed at CCM Food for Thought this week. He will then decide how to proceed with this project.
- d) **Parish Committee Directory Update/Schedule Leadership Meeting - Fred:** Scheduled for Tuesday February 23 at 6:30 pm in the Zryd Center. All Committees are encouraged to have their committee information to the Development Committee prior to the meeting.

IX. New Business:

- a) **Upcoming Events:** St. Blaise blessing on weekend of 2/6 and 7.

X. Added Agenda Items:

- a) **Funeral Coordinator – Pierre** – Pierre requested that the position of funeral coordinator be put on the parish staff meeting agenda. Pierre said that often there are not enough Eucharistic Ministers scheduled and then are scrambling prior to the funeral Mass to get these positions filled. Cindy will assure this is done.
- b) **Training of Eucharistic Ministers – Pierre** – Pierre asked if there is any scheduled training. Cindy said that Deacon Dennis is developing a training/retraining program for all current, new and EM who take the Eucharist to the hospital and homebound. Participants will receive a certificate signed by our bishop.
- c) **Holy Family Prayer Service – Matt** – Prayer Service will be at the Cathedral. Date not available at this time.
- d) **K of C Lenten food drive – Matt** – The K of C is sponsoring a food drive for St. Vincent de Paul at all the Marquette parishes during Lent. There will be a grocery cart in church lobbies to collect the nonperishable food.

XI. Comments From and Feedback for Pastor / Associate Pastor / Council Members:

- a) **Excerpts from “Rediscover Jesus” will be used for closing prayer of PC meeting.**

Adjournment and Closing Prayer by Matt at 8:30 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Cindy Ampe

Minutes approved by: