

MINUTES OF THE PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

August 16, 2018, 3:30 PM

Meeting opened with a prayer followed by the reading of the minutes. Minutes were accepted with two corrections regarding outreach: the outreach fund does not give money to Santee Industries and Meryl Staller receives money monthly for Meals on Wheels.

OLD BUSINESS

Charlie McLeod reported on church liability. The following items were discussed:

- for normally expected activities, we are covered by Diocesan insurance
- having a guard at the door is not feasible for St. Ann
- weapons in church are not approved by the Diocese

We discussed medical emergencies. Eight parishioners have volunteered for emergency assistance, along with Greg Carney who has medical training. Charlie will look into purchasing an AED Defibrillator. The group will be referred to as First Aid Responders.

Safety issues recommended were ushers and two greeters be alert to strangers entering church, ushers can walk the parking lot prior to Mass and ushers carry active cell phones. A meeting will be set up in the near future for the group of First Aid Responders. Fred Kemmerley will discuss purchasing and monitoring security cameras with Jim Tralka.

Cheryl Prickett discussed the Welcome Folders. The captain of each church ministry has submitted a description of their ministry for the booklet. MAP wants to have a personal touch with new parishioners and will distribute the Welcome Folders at their meeting. The bill for the supplies for the packets will be paid by the church.

NEW BUSINESS

Parishioners want a cross outside church for identification. When building the church, the diocese would not allow a steeple or cross because our building was not a permanent church. It was agreed that Larry Miller and Dennis Masson will bring up ideas for the Building Committee for a cross on the church grounds.

For our outreach program, Kristine Carver and Sandy Rolland purchased school supplies and Kristine and Tammy High delivered them to Ellore Elementary School. A bill for \$274 was submitted. A discussion for expanding outreach to include other public elementary schools in our parish area as well as expanding our Christmas angels was discussed. Contact will be made with the Finance Committee for available outreach funds. A list of all outreach programs and their budget will be submitted to the Council and then submitted to the diocese for liability purposes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

In Hart Klee's absence, Fred reported on the Finance Committee. With the addition of new parishioners, collections have improved, but a deficit of about \$7000 a year remains.

Fred gave the Maintenance Report. Completed tasks included corrected kitchen outlets, repair of front door, gutters installed, removal of tree in Holly Hill and HVAC inspection. HVAC electrical problem still needs to be corrected. Future tasks include roof repair, paint and repairs to shed, power wash church, spackle, tape and paint church, and repair hydraulic closer on front door.

Fred reported on FORMED. Installation of fiber optics in the neighborhood is progressing which should help the program. He is also promoting FORMED in the Sunday bulletin. Charlie Currier suggest checking on parish usage.

Susan Weber noted the Liturgy meeting for August was postponed until October 18th, at 3:30 PM.

Charlie Currier reported the Columbarium operating fund is \$3900, \$750 was spent replacing plants, and a single niche was purchased for \$1500. The remaining niches include 28 single and 7 double. The suggestion of including St Mary was discussed. Our Lady of Hope are planning their own columbarium. Our bank account for the columbarium contains \$20,496.

The parish web site usage has increased to 24%. Additional information on the web site such as Women's Assoc. and Knights of Columbus meeting schedules, pictures of church events and Sunday reflections could be included. Father encouraged the Ministries to post activities on the web site. Father asked Charlie to coordinate with the diocese to set up a St. Ann e-mail account.

Dennis reported on Knights of Columbus donations to Santee Industries and an organization for mentally challenged in Manning. He will be inquiring about a fund raiser involved in selling baseball tickets with a rebate being returned to St. Ann.

Father discussed the diocesan Bi-Centennial Campaign raising funds with pledges. The campaign will run from 8/31/2018 through 5/21/2025. The diocese's target is \$60,000,000. St. Ann's contribution for the past three years to the Bishop's Appeal was \$98,937 resulting in our target for the upcoming campaign is \$100,000 payable over five years.

Fr. Arul Joseph will replace Fr. Max during his surgery and recovery starting 8/20/2018.

Next meeting is 11/15/2018 at 2:00 PM.

Submitted by Pat Blaszkzy

Additions/clarifications to the August 16, 2018 Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes from Hart Klee

The outreach program is administered by the Finance Council and a detailed spreadsheet is presented and discussed at the Finance Council quarterly meeting. The source of revenue is the second collection of the fourth Sunday of each month and a part of the proceeds from the golf outing. The only expenditures on a continuing basis is the food truck and meals on wheels. Requests (like the school supplies) are submitted to the committee for approval, which depends on the availability of funds. Presently we have \$5,000 in the savings account in Santee earmarked for outreach. A formal report will be submitted at the next Council meeting.

Regarding the \$7,000 deficit, it is a projection for the current year for regular collections less normal regular expenses. However it is covered by projected \$10,000 raised by our fund raising activities, which covers the deficit.

The Bicentennial Campaign will be conducted in all parishes in the Diocese over the next three years. The Diocese has hired fund raising consultants to help each parish conduct their campaign. Because of this they are assigning specific dates for each parish to conduct its campaign. Ours is January to April 2019 to be determined once Fr. Max returns from knee surgery, and will replace the Bishops Annual Appeal and curtail other fund raising activities. Our goal assigned is \$100,000, based on our average collection revenues, i.e. \$98,937. Planning with the consultants will be conducted in the fall, stay tuned. One of thing to keep in mind is that the parish gets one - half of the monies raised. The Finance Committee working with the MAP group develop a detail plan, which has to be submitted, for the use of the funds. This is being worked on. We learned of our dates in a July letter and will keep everyone in the loop as we proceed.

Submitted by: Hart J Klee, Chairman Finance Council. August 21, 2018