St Luke the Evangelist Parish Pastoral Council

May 13, 2021 - In Person and via Zoom Meeting 7:15 pm

Attendance: Deacon Don, Deacon Fred, Fr. Ken, Shani Wahl, Jason Richards, Brian Werner, Dana Bastian, Paul Moritz, David Reising, Gary Olson, Fr. James, Mirka Deza Guest: Susan Grebasch

- Opening Prayer
- April Meeting Minutes~ Gary motion to approve, Judy second
- Old Business
 - O Back to Church Update (may be at 70% back)
 - all mass numbers are increasing (Saturday morning, Thursday night, Sunday, etc)
 - Daily mass time in discussion
 - School mass needs to be discussed due to size of school next year
 - Parish Online Directory
 - School Board/Finance Council next test group
 - Next group coming soon
 - Capital Campaign Update
 - Cash still coming in monthly
 - Original "Growing Together" ends in July (some did +1 which will continue)
 - Prairie Meadows Presentation went well (Schmidtlein and Polpeter)
 - Oxtoberfest Update
 - Entertainment~ Polka Band booked
 - Still planning for in person event
 - Rearrange to move more events in the gym
- New Business
 - o Parish Council Members (start thinking about candidates to join in Fall)
 - Shani, Brian, Dana, Gary all at 3 years (2 three year term max)
 - Faith Formation Update
 - (David) year finished well, starting to plan next year
 - Adult Faith Formation~ Christ Life Program (Fall 2021)
 - Franciscan University platform purchased by Diocese (Catechism courses for all groups/ages)
 - Catechesis of the Good Shepard coming back is being discussed
 - Book Club~ Made This Way (meeting once a month)
 - Committee Updates
 - Welcome Committee
 - 8 new families (27 members)
 - Social Concerns
 - Family Promise (May 4th)
 - Catholic Worker House (4th Saturday of every month)
 - Tithe of the Tithe
 - o still discussing how to disperse and how much
 - Drive Through Easter Treats went well
 - Little Helping Hands Food Pantry
 - Liturgy
 - 8 servers retrained (another refresher coming soon)
 - over 4,000 hosts in the past month
 - mass numbers increasing
 - Mothers Blessing, Pregnant woman blessing
 - Fr. Larry's 50th anniversary
 - Need help to take over duties of Eucharistic Minister Trainer/Sacristan (contact Carri Higgins)

- o Timeline on Website~ in need of updating
 - Carri Higgens working on it
- Father Ken's comments
 - o School
 - Waitlist for 3rd grade
 - 272-274 for next year
 - Classrooms- music/ library in the trailer
 - Still need teachers for 2021-2022
 - First graduating class~ Graduation Mass (Wednesday night)
 - Brick?
 - Something personal for each kid...
 - Building Project
 - classroom size/ storage
 - RE office has been discovered (Resource teacher room?)
 - Brick Donation
 - July 9th
 - Budget updates
 - Budget is getting "cleaned up" to make sure expenses are allocated appropriately
 - Loan is only for the school (couldn't be for a church)
 - Emergency Assistance to NonPublic School Programs (EANS) \$180,000
 - computers, iPads, camera/speaker system for meetings
 - cameras for livecasting (will be back paid)
 - another round could be coming in June
 - Staff
 - Vicki resigning
 - Marketing/Front Desk/Parish Secretary?
- Next Meeting June 10th
- Motion to adjourn~ Judy, second Fr. James
- Closing Prayer

Summary:

Another amazing update about our growing parish. Parishioners are returning to mass and new families are joining too. The school enrollment is increasing as the new building is almost ready for paint and furniture in a few months. Oxtoberfest planning is underway as well as plans for Fr. Larry's 50th year celebration set for August. RE wrapped up with a mass for students and planning is starting for next year too! Look to the bulletin for more happenings. Next meeting June 10th in person and via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Jones