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PASTORAL COUNCIL

Regular Meeting Minutes Oct. 18, 2023

Present: Fr. Andrew Umberg, Jerry Yox, Joe Arnold, Joy Niehaus, Joanne Hauser, Ken Radziwon, Jon Tobin, Ashley Evans, Colleen Wietmarschen, Charlie McDonald (Secretary)

Absent: Matt Jung. Note: Matt resigned from council just prior to the Oct. 2023 meeting.

Guests:

Opening: The meeting was opened at 7:05 PM by council chair Jerry Yox, with Fr. Umberg saying the opening prayer.

Approval of 8/16/23 Council Minutes:

Jerry Y said we will approve the 8/16/23 council minutes at the next meeting.

St. Vivian Church and Campus Tour:

All council members were given a detailed tour of the St. Vivian church and campus, hosted by Fr. Umberg and Kathy Rothschild. Fr. Umberg said he would like council members from our family of parishes to tour each parish campus to see firsthand the assets of each parish.

Festival Update: Bill Mauntel

- Bill distributed a festival income sheet to all showing our 2023 festival netted \$54,835, which was about \$11,000 more than our 2019 pre-covid festival. He will be sending a check to St. Bartholomew for about \$51,000 and smaller checks to St. Vivian (Gambling booth), Assumption (Split the Pot), and St. Bernard/Mother of Christ (French Fry booth). A surcharge for administration will be deducted from the receipts for these parishes.
- Single booths with the highest net income were Bid-n-Buy (\$10,179), and Basket Raffle (\$5,915).
- Food and Beverages (including beer) netted about \$17,000 total, gambling booths about \$4,000, and kids booths about \$3,600. The rides netted about \$7700, which is considerably higher than many past years.
- We did not have a Sunday car show this year. In the past, we have lost money on the car show but more than made up for the loss since the car show draws festival-goers who come primarily to see the cars. However, Sunday festival attendance this year seemed to be similar or more than years with the car show.
- Bill announced he no longer wants to be the overall festival chair moving forward but will stay involved in some capacity.
- Jerry Yox said he and Ken Radziwon will chair the festival next year, with help from Jon Tobin. Jerry asked Fr. Umberg and Kathy Rothschild if they could help get others from the other family of parishes to get involved.
- Fr Umberg thanked Bill for chairing the festival for so many years, and also thanked Jerry and Ken for coming forward to chair the 2024 festival. He will help recruit others thru pulpit announcements and in other ways. Kathy said she will help and suggested we start the recruitment process earlier next year.

Our Lady of Divine Providence Family of Parishes Grill Out and Cornhole Tournament:

- Jon T gave everyone a handout with a recap of the event. He said looks like we had about 200 total in attendance, with about 40-50 participating in the corn hole tournament.
- Fr. Umberg thanked Jon for chairing the event. He liked having the event in the KAC but not sure if it will stay at St. Bartolomew next year since he feels it would be good to have parishioners from all our family parishes see the various campuses. He thinks fall is a good time of year for the event and Ken said it might be better to have it on a Sunday when the Bengals have an away game.

SBA Partnership:

- Jerry asked who the main contact person is concerning the KAC building; Kathy R said she is the contact. Fr. Umberg said Kathy is the Director of Administration for our family of parishes and the contact person for all parish buildings. Jon Tobin said he can be the point person for SBAA.

Repairs:

- Fr. Umberg said about \$600K in repairs and upgrades have been performed at St. Bartholomew over the past several years, and more roof repairs will be needed in the not-too-distant future. He also said a major repair of the campus parking lots will need to be performed at some point, with a price point that could exceed \$300K.

Beacons of Light Update-Father Umberg:

- Fr. Umberg said he wants to have an impartial review and evaluation of all family of parishes facilities performed by a non-parishioner committee. He would also like to have a liturgical review of each of our parishes by an outside committee. Both reviews would most likely take place within the next year.
- Fr. Umberg said he would like to continue meeting with the Pastoral Councils from each family parish about 6 times/year for the next several years. However, the Beacons Council will eventually be the only pastoral council when all parishes are combined. It's important that the 6 parishes remain vibrant until the consolidation takes place. He also stated that all family councils will eventually tour all family parishes. After some discussion, it was decided our next St. Bartholomew council meeting will be held on Wed. Jan. 17th.

Next meeting: Wed. Jan 17, 2023 at 7 pm.

The meeting was closed with a prayer by Fr. Umberg.

Respectfully submitted by Charlie McDonald.