Pastoral Council Minutes
Tuesday, January 14, 2020

Attendees: Hans Higdon, Eugene Burke, Steve Barnicki, Craig Cornelius, Jason Suchowski, Christopher Schuele, Fr. Jose Gonzales
Excused: Chris Kuss, Mark Readinger, Bishop Jeff Haines and Mary Ann Delzer

Parish Business:

- Fr. Jose Update
  - Fr Jose has been working with Staff in order to organize a more coherent and professional system of responsibilities for everyone serving in our liturgies. Personnel changes - John Ascher - Sacristan/Liturgist-will retire effective March 10, 2020.
    - Michael Batcho-Director of Music-will assume the additional duties of Liturgist-music and liturgy being so closely linked.
    - Paul Trzebiatowski-Administrative Assistant/Liturgy Coordinator-will become Sacristan and will be facilitator for weddings, funerals and special liturgies
    - Pat Wisialowski-Pastoral Associate - will work with the several volunteer groups that serve Liturgy-Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ministers of Hospitality-as regards training, practice sessions, and such tasks as she may see appropriate in moving forward to a smooth and professional operation.
  - Fr Jose feels we are developing a more welcoming atmosphere at the Cathedral.
  - Archdiocesan Capital Campaign: Planning continues. Two estimates for restoration of the Cathedral roof have come in and more are expected. 1.0 and 1.5 million dollars are the present estimates.
  - Catholic Stewardship Appeal: The Cathedral Parish has achieved the goal set for us and in fact exceeded it by 27%.
  - First Friday Holy Hour of Adoration: The 1st Friday of each month will offer the Holy Hour of Adoration in Spanish-from 7 PM to 8 PM. The 2nd thru 5th Friday of each month will offer the Holy Hour of Adoration in English-from 6 PM to 7 PM. Those who attend need not stay the entire hour. Eucharistic Adoration is a vital part of our Faith. Plans will be made to promote Adoration.

- Life Touch –Parish Directory-Hans
  - The Parish Directory-Directories have been delivered and will be distributed after masses the weekends of Jan 11/12 and Jan 18/19 to those who had their photos included in the Directory. Plans will be made to produce a directory every three years.

Pastoral Council Business:

- December minutes were unanimously approved.
- Organization Chart: Mike Dieseltemerer has been asked by Bishop Jeff to assume the role of Parish Trustee-which position was open after the death of 'Bud' Cialdini.
- First Sunday Coffee: Council had volunteered to serve Sunday, April 5th-but that is Palm Sunday and the Atrium will not be available. Our date will be re-scheduled.
Clarification of Commissions and a report on the Gigs, Geeks and God Conference in deferred to the February Parish Council Meeting.

Liaison Reports:

- Stewardship Commission - Steve Barnicki reported on discussions involving a variety of issues - There will be a New Parishioner gathering on Sunday, April 26 - 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM - once again at Judy and Tom Schmid's home.

- Fine Arts: Gene Burke shared a draft proposal for a collaborative music/cultural program for the Cathedral - designed by Charles Sullivan - who from 1985 to 1992 was Executive Director of Liturgical Drama at the Cathedral during which time he produced and directed the Play of Daniel and other works. The umbrella title of the proposed program will be MUSICA SACRA. Michael Batcho and Mr. Sullivan are working on the many details of how this proposed program would be designed and executed. Mr. Sullivan's extensive experience in the Milwaukee regional performing arts and music programs, especially early music, allow him many options for programming.

Next meeting: February 18, 2020