

## St. Colman Parish-Pastoral Council Minutes

March 7, 2016

Members Present: Ron Bachy, Pam Bodzioc, Sue Buchholz, Paul Messineo, Mary Jo Meyer, Ted Novak, Pauline Schoffstall

Others Present: Father Kunkel, Gerry Meyer

Members Not Present: Maureen Brady, Christine Stinson, Kelly Yagatich

Opening Prayer-Father Kunkel

### **Old Business**

#### Ministry Booklet Update

Paul distributed the up to date Ministries Booklet which includes contact information, phone numbers and a brief explanation of the Ministries of St. Colman Church.

The addition of the Parish Prayer Chain was suggested.

Any suggestions, corrections or clarifications should be made to Paul.

#### Bulletin Enhancement Update

Paul and Christine met with Mary Lou Dahmen to discuss options available to improve the impact of the Bulletin.

At present, the Bulletin contract was renewed in existing form, pending further examination.

Expansion options for the Bulletin were explored and will require further discussion.

The Stewardship Committee Smart Goals Worksheet was updated to reflect the newest changes.

#### Parish Survey

The 2016 Parish Survey will be distributed after each Mass Palm Sunday weekend, March 19 and 20.

There is a new question pertaining to Mass attended, so as to better ascertain the needs of the Parish in relation to each Mass.

### Implementing Novenas

Kelly is researching ways to implement Novenas.

Sue suggested the Divine Mercy Novena, since Divine Mercy Sunday is April 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Sue purchased 200 flyers for parishioners to use.

### Evangelization Committee Goals Update

Pam and Mary Jo presented a post card as an idea for communicating with lapsed parishioners.

Pam recommended the book, One Book, Our Community, which is a reflection about poverty. Pam also mentioned that she would like to start a book club.

### Thanksgiving Bread Recap

Thanks to Maureen Brady for arranging the Thanksgiving Bread donation and distribution. Thanks also to Panera Bread for their assistance.

### Campaign For The Church Alive / Church Organ Update

The new organ was installed on March 7<sup>th</sup> and is operational.

Thanks to our Parishioners whose generous donations to the Church Alive Campaign paid for the organ in its entirety!

### On Mission For The Church Alive

Ted Novak distributed packets clearly outlining the goals of this Diocesan program.

Included in the packets were Frequently Asked Questions, key components of the plan and other information leading to the December 2017 release of Bishop Zubik's findings.

## **New Business**

### Referral Services For Parishioners

Mary Jo and Pam discussed the compilation of a social services directory. After some discussion the idea was withdrawn due to a duplication of resources, as the Church Rectory already has this information for those in need.

### Lenten Prayer Calendar

Pastoral Council thanks Dr. Marc Tinsley for his efforts in the creation of this prayerful calendar that is available in the Church for Parishioners to pick up.

### Parish Pastoral Plan

No discussion at this meeting.

### Financial Report

Financial reporting is very slow from the Diocese due to the use of a new reporting system.

The financial reporting section of our Bulletin includes only Mass donations.

### **Next Meeting**

Monday, June 13, 2016 at 6:30 PM