PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES June 13, 2016

Pastoral Council Members in Attendance:

Ron Bachy, Sue Buchholz, Paul Messineo, Mary Jo Meyer, Ted Novak, Christine Stinson, and Pauline Schoffstall, Pamela Bodziock

Absent: Pamela Bodziock, Kelly Yagetich

Others: Father Jim, Deacon Herb, Renae Brinza

Opening Prayer by Father Jim

Old Business

- 1) Ministry Booklet Update
 - Council review the booklet for release to the parishioners.
 - A copy will be placed in the back of the church on the bulletin board.
 - Copies will be placed in the back of the church for parishioners to take home.

Action Item: Paul will place a copy of the booklet on the bulletin board.

Renae will make copies for the taking.

- 2) Parish Survey Update
 - Only 91 surveys were returned which is approximately 9% of the parishioners that attend mass. Council considered this a very low number and were disappointed in the response.
 - Council members reviewed all the survey responses. Most of the survey focused on the mission and vision statement for the parish.
 - Suggestions were to:
 - Read the bulletin from the pulpit.
 - Read the mission statement from the pulpit.
 - Place a mission & vision statement in another location in the bulletin.
 - Recognize new members either during mass or in the bulletin.
 - Clarification of 'Protecting God's Children' and why the course needs to be completed to be a volunteer.
 - Some parishioners provided their names along with their comments. These parishioners will be contacted by Father to discuss their comments.

Action Item: Father and/or a member of council will contact the parishioners who left their names along with their comments.

- 3) Update on the 'Campaign for the Church Alive'
 - To date we have received \$80,000; approximately \$7,000 is in our account.
 - The projects submitted by St. Colman's are:
 - Organ purchase of a new organ
 - The new organ is installed.
 - The cost of the new organ was @ \$73,000; it is paid in full.
 - Roof Replaced/Repaired
 - junior high roof has been repaired but not replaced
 - grade school roof needs to be repaired; it still leaks on the 3rd floor
 - Bathrooms
 - Renovation of the cafeteria bathrooms
 - Repainting of the church bathrooms
- 4) Update on the 'On Mission for the Church Alive'
 - Much discussion took place regarding this mission.
 - The committee for St. Colman's will attend a meeting to receive the model for our cluster.
 - The committee will present the models to the parishioners and discuss any comments or concerns the parishioners might have on the various models.
 - The final decision is made by the Bishop.
 - This is an 8-month working process which begins September, 2016 and by February, 2018 a decision will be made of the new parishes.

New Business

- 1) "Care packages" to our parishioners in college
 - In the hopes of keeping our college age parishioners in touch with our parish and to show them the support of our parish family, the Ladies of Charity will be sending care packages to those that choose to participate.
 - The packages will be sent twice a year during finals.
- 2) Discussion regarding parish finances.
 - The Diocese software system has been down for several months.
 - St. Colman does not have a shadow system in place.
 - Renae volunteered to keep the shadow system and review with Father Jim, Gerry and Deacon Herb.
 - Council agreed this was a good idea

For the Good of the Parish

1) Kelly resigned from Pastoral Council.