

**ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH
PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES
June 27, 2024**

The Parish Pastoral council meeting was called to order at 6:00PM in the CCC. Members present were Tom Oscar, Pete Pintens, Mary Bailey, Sandy Bishop, Levi Spaeth, Michele Wingate, and Fr. Louis. Members absent: Mary Luedke, Bear Wadzinski, and Doug Duchac. Others present: Marianna Merkatoris, Jan Huseby, Ann Jelinek and Laura Reiter.

Fr. Louis began the meeting with a prayer.

The Mission Statement was read.

The minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed. Sandy made a motion to approve the minutes, Michele seconded the motion, all were in favor, and the minutes were approved.

Staff reports: Tom reviewed the staff reports. Mary asked if the CCC remote door access system was in place, and Laura reported that it is and is working well so far. Juanita reported that she hired a cook and does not need to hire any more staff for next year. Marianna is in the process of implementing a 33 days program.

Old Business:

1. Discipleship & Evangelization: A blurb for the bulletin is going in this weekend asking for leaders and participants. There are two scheduled interest meetings. Marianna and Laura will work on sign ups sheets for the groups at the festival.
2. Sponsorship & Ski Show: Juanita talked to Mickey Loka. There are shows available for August. He wants to meet to talk about giveaways and talking points. The council asked if there was a financial obligation to sponsor and Juanita will find out. The council does not want to pay a significant amount if there is a cost to sponsor. Jan said maybe alumni of St Mary's school who also have been part of the ski show could be present. Marianna and Juanita will ask Mary L. if she wants to continue to be a part of this project and they will meet with the ski show people.
3. Mass on the Grass: Jan reported that Handpicked Bluegrass will play longer than the mass and play mass parts. Jan will have a worship aide. The choir is invited to sing. Sign ups for food will be posted in the bulletin.
4. Festival: The council will have a booth. They would like for the booth: volunteer pamphlets, the Catholic Herald, bulletins, a suggestion box (Mary Bailey has), a binder with a list of members for people to check and add data, and registration forms. Laura will take care of that. The council needs to have a schedule of when council members will man the booth. A member of the council will make a banner.
5. Parish Directory update: Laura did not have a chance to ask other parishes how the turnout for a directory went for them. The council decided to put this project on the back burner, they don't think interest is there. We may be able to make our own digital version.
6. Church App update: Laura set up the App and sent a link to the council for review. A question came up asking if people can access the App without a phone, like with a laptop. Laura will check into that. Laura will have a handout for the festival for people to sign up for the App.

New Business:

There was no new business.

Other Business:

Fr. Louis thanked the council for their commitment to St. Mary's Parish and for all their help over his nine years at St. Mary's. He is very appreciative of all their good work.

Michele led the closing prayer. The meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.

The next meeting will be held on **Thursday, July 18 at 6:00PM** in the CCC. Mary Bailey will lead the closing prayer.

Minutes submitted by Laura Reiter