

Mother of Perpetual Help Parish

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes – Monday, June 3, 2019

A meeting of the Mother of Perpetual Help Pastoral Council was held in the Parish Office at the 116th Street Site on Monday, June 3, 2019.

Council members in attendance were: Mary Maberry, Council Chair, Fr. Jeff Prasser, Fr. Thomas Vathappallil, Grace Elliott, John Czepulis, Jon Leonardelli, Mary Lou Hopkins, Colleen Pluskota, and Nancy Wilde; also in attendance were Darryl Draeger and Gary Jensen, Trustees, and Susan Scharmach, Recording Secretary.

Absent were Doug Barnes and Gil Van Blaircom.

Anna Ferrise has resigned from Council.

1. The meeting was called to order by Mary Maberry at 6:59 PM
2. Opening Prayer: Mother of Perpetual Help Prayer
3. Mary Maberry provided the final Agenda and a motion to approve the Agenda was made by Grace Elliott, seconded by Mary Lou Hopkins and unanimously approved
4. Update – Fr. Jeff
 - a) Site recommendations
 - Current MPH registration is 1,136 units/families or 1,935 individuals
 - All sites need roof repair
 - Seton has agreed to update the school
 - Site-wise only make repairs which are necessary
 - Archbishop will make decision
 - June 30 deadline for information to Archbishop
 - 2-3 weeks before decision
 - b) Endowment
 - Funds will be divided pro rata among the existing parishes
 - Use of funds for elderly, youth or Christian formation (day school)
 - c) Capital Campaign
 - Archbishop's campaign to last through 2020 or 2021
 - Focus on future development
5. School Update – Fr. Jeff
 - a) Seton Schools
 - Delay in site change to 116th Street until 2020
 - Seton will finance updates
 - b) Principal – Michael Derrick has resigned; Seton searching for potential replacements

6. MPH Festival – Jon Leonardelli
 - Weather cooperated which helped attendance
 - Volunteer participation from all sites
 - In fall discussion to evaluate the value of the festival and changes for improvement
7. MPH Combined Ministries – Jon Leonardelli
 - Meeting to be held with schedulers of all ministries
 - Fr. Thomas emphasized doing what is right vs. doing what is comfortable
8. Update re Southwest Deanery Meeting – Grace Elliott/Mary Lou Hopkins
 - “Dynamic Deanery”
 - Entertaining and informative – Evangelization, Lenten Mission, Adult Formation and Social Justice
9. New Business
 - Jon Leonardelli inquired when signage would be updated at all 3 MPH sites and this should be accomplished before the end of summer
 - Daryl Draeger discussed organized stewardship
 - Reminder from Mary Maberry to read emails timely for any communication updates
6. Closing Prayer – Meeting adjourned at 8:33 PM with Our Parish+Our Pledge

Next Meeting – TBD in August/September, 2019 in the Notre Dame Room at the 106th Street Site

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Scharmach,
Recording Secretary