

St. Nicholas Catholic Church Pastoral Council Meeting Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2017 7:32 PM –9:04 PM

PRESENT: Courtney Beltrami, Georjeane Blumling, Mark Boettcher, Matt Brehl, Kathy Buccieri, Bennett Bussey, Lora DiNardo, Father Jun, Dale Feltes, Donna Lang, Caroline Mangles, Connor McKechnie, Ursula Muller, Pat Roll, Jim Schrand, Angela Whitehouse, Bob Wick

- 1. Meeting called to order 7:32pm
- 2. Opening Prayer Jim Schrand
- 3. Administrative Items
 - a. Approval of Minutes
 - With no changes, the November minutes were unanimously approved as submitted
- 4. Old Business
 - a. None
- 5. New Business
 - a. LOM Update- Lora DiNardo and Dale Feltes
 - The report summary was handed out and the chart showed over the last 3
 years the upward direction of collections. In 20 16 our collections increased
 \$11K and our rentals increased \$22K.
 - ii. The Building & Capital Campaign Fund in June 2016 shows a collection of \$287K with \$60K of that from our own capital campaign in 2011.
 - iii. When Fr. Jun arrived our personnel expenses were \$100K higher than last year. We are reorganizing and restructuring the budget.
 - iv. Six years ago the Diocese implemented the new parish sharing tax of \$70K annually. It was a phase in tax which we have fully succeeded in implementing.
 - v. As of December 30, 2016, we made the final payment of our Cathedraticum bill and are now current. Father explained that it covers the school assessment, clergy assessments & retirement, priests' Medicare insurance, and supports the Madonna House in Roanoke.
 - vi. Lora shared the history of our parishes early years.
 - vii. The details, renderings, repairs & additions, cost estimate, and financing details have taken two and one half years to now.
 - viii. The initial goal was \$1.35million with the parish share of \$900K.
 - ix. The evangelization component is comprised of hanging a crucifix in the sanctuary, improving the choir risers, erecting a new sign on Little Neck Road depicting our Catholic identity, building a picnic pavilion for parish events, and contributing \$120K of campaign proceeds to seed the endowment fund for our future ministries.

- x. We have received pledge support of over \$1.4 million from 301 families. The parish share is \$972K. All of our goals will be executed within the next 4 years.
- xi. After reserving \$700K to repair our facility, we are able to bring more of a Catholic presence to our building by improving ADA accessibility, install an elevator within a bell tower, and connect the hall corridors on the 2nd floor, and bring conditioning to the old vestibule.
- xii. RRMM was chosen because they showed a concept for the repairs with an achievable vision to the west wing. They also give a cost analysis for the work.
- xiii. After explaining the process for approval from the Building & Renovation Commission, the restoration of making the building more energy efficient and waterproof was explained in addition to the enhancements.
- xiv. Four construction companies, the committee has experience with, will each bid the repairs and enhancements separately. They will be interviewed in the next 30 days and hire one so we will be under construction by the spring.
- xv. We have close to \$600K on hand: \$59,471 2011-2013 campaign, \$326,734 collected to date LOM, \$200K -Diocesan emergency grant.
- xvi. Questions were asked and answered about a security system, a deadline or incomplete work and fines.

b. **Diocesan Appeal -** Lora DiNardo

i. The appeal will begin with Lent this year. Two adults are needed as chair and vice-chair to represent the appeal to the parish. The job description was emailed to PC and it is not an administrative one. The Diocese supplies the script and the video needs to be introduced at mass. Since there were no volunteers, PC was asked to pray and consider filling this need. Names need to be submitted by the end of this week.

c. Msgr. Jethro - Lora DiNardo

i. Father will be visiting our parish from February 8th – 13th and a pot luck dinner will be held on Saturday after mass.

d. Evangelization Discussion – Variety

- i. The discussion centered on the need to continue the quest for evangelization, how it should be openly talked about, and be an inclusive part of committee reports showing how we're furthering the vision of the church in what we do.
- ii. Kathy Buccieri informed PC of the group she has that developed a needs assessment to determine how we can help those not able to fully participate due to any kind of limitation, and it will be made available in the upcoming weeks.

6. Committee Report Highlights

- a. Just Seniors Pat Roll had to leave
- b. Liturgy Committee Georjeane Blumling
 - i. There were many volunteers at Christmas making the masses successful.
- c. Christian Formation Committee Angela Whitehouse

- i. Classes have now resumed after missing them due to the snow storm.
- ii. The Monday Night Bible Study will resume on January 30th, and we will be studying the Gospel of John
- iii. Reconciliation Retreat and First Penance were held this month.

d. Youth Ministry Committee – Courtney Beltrami

i. Courtney had her first class with 16 teens.

e. Parish Life Committee – Kathy Buccieri

- i. There was no December meeting.
- ii. The receptions for Lessons and Carrols and Simbang Gabi were very well attended.
- iii. The next Pancake Breakfast is on Jan. 29th and plans are made for Shrove Tuesday.
- iv. We will keep the website current and up to date.

f. Social Ministries - Dolores Machik

 Not present but Lora reported that the Hope 4 Life van was at our church for Respect Life month and the baby bottle donations support the work of that group.

g. Ecumenical & Interreligious Committee – Ursula Muller

- i. A Christian Unity Service is scheduled to be held at the Lutheran Church on January 21st at 11 am.
- 7. Future Agenda Items: list of possible agenda items for next monthly meeting.
- 8. Pastor's Remarks Fr. Jun

a. Evangelization

- Liturgy challenges us to see how our experience can be the experience of others. PC's spirit grasps the Evangelical movement and accepts and embraces it as their own.
- ii. Our challenge is to have an encounter with Jesus and the way to continue that is to spend 15 minutes with the Blessed Sacrament.
- iii. Fr. Jun quoted what MLK, inspired by St. Ignatius of Loyola, said. "Pray as if everything depends on God. Then work as if everything depends on you."
- iv. Share and talk about Jesus at home and in your place of work. What we discuss in PC will become fruitful. When we feel it we then want to share it.

9. Closing Prayer- Bennett Bussey

10. Meeting adjourned at 9:04 PM

Respectfully submitted by, Mary Lou Ferralli