

**CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF THE BLESSED TRINITY  
PASTORAL COUNCIL ~ MEETING MINUTES  
November 12, 2020  
6:00 PM @ ST. MM**



**Attendees:** Father Felicjan Sierotowicz, Father Michael Merritt, Kathy DeMass, Dan Durocher, Marie Smith, Paul Statskey

**Absent:** Rosemary Seymour

**Meeting called to order:** 6:05 PM

**Opening Prayer:** Pastoral Council Prayers and Faith Sharing (November 15, 2020); Marie Smith

### **October Meeting Minutes**

- Draft minutes were distributed via email for adds, changes, deletes on October 5, 2020.
- Accepted by Rosemary Seymour, seconded by Breeze AuClair on October 12, 2020.
- Posted to CCBT website October 12, 2020.

### **Agenda Review** (Adds, Changes, Deletes)

- Breeze AuClair- resignation

### **New Business**

#### **PC Prayers and Faith Sharing Resource**

- Reviewed the Pastoral Council Prayers and Faith Sharing to start and end council meetings. Everyone agreed this was a great way to begin and end our meetings. Use the prayer session for the Sunday following the meeting.
- Marie Smith will email the document to everyone.
- Dan Durocher volunteered to be the Prayer Leader at the December 10 meeting. He will use the resources provided for December 13.

### **Old Business**

#### **CCBT Pastoral Council Executive Committee**

- Everyone agrees that Rosemary Seymour be appointed Chair and Kathy DeMass be appointed Vice-Chair of Pastoral Council.
- Dan Durocher expressed interest in the Secretary position in the future.

#### **2020/2021 Catholic Ministries Appeal Assistance**

- Kathy DeMass will find a person from St. Mary Magdalene to address the Parish about CMA donations in January. Father Mike suggested January 9-10, 2021.
- Since the CMA video did not get shown in October it is going to be shown in January as a push for donations since it documents how this money is used.
  - Paul Statskey will ask his son to set up the tv at St. Mary Magdalene and Dan Durocher will check with his Dad for set-up at St. Thomas.
- Phone calls will be made in February/March to those who gave in the past but did not this time.

#### **DOR Social Media Policy**

- Father Mike followed up with Mary Capone and the policy does not specify the gatekeeper needs to be an employee.
- Father will follow-up with Susie Gallo to see if she wants to continue as the person in charge of the CCBT Parish Facebook page. She would be the administrator and the only one able to post besides the priests. The comments would be disabled.

## **Parish Census**

- Breeze AuClair provided copies of registered parishioners that Mary DeLisio printed from Parish Soft. Marie Smith and Kathy DeMass will look at the list together to make notes of those who have moved, are deceased, or do not attend Mass in our Parish. Breeze asked Luba LaForge and Eileen Bielemeier to look at the lists and do the same.
- It was decided to table the calling of Parishioners until next year due to COVID restrictions. Making these phone calls will be a good opportunity to invite people to return to our church once we are back to normal. The suggestion was to do this during the Lenten season.

## **Revision/Update of CCBT Pastoral Council By-Laws**

- Marie Smith will send a copy of the DOR guidelines to all council members. It was decided to use DOR guidelines rather than the CCBT Covenant. We need to write a process for getting new council members. Rosemary spoke with other Council Chairs in our cluster and they operate in a more relaxed manner. We reviewed the feedback Rosemary documented.
- We need more members on our council. Father Mike and Father Felicjan want the process to be less cumbersome as we need more members now. Dan Durocher suggested Mary Krehling, Kathy Sanzotta, Luba and Gerry LaForge (they were asked before and are not interested) and the Misso's. Kathy DeMass will contact Ginny Slobe and Kathy Sanzotta, Father Felicjan will speak with Alex and Becka Howell, Marie Smith will contact Barb Burke and Pam AuClair, Father Mike will speak with Mary Krehling.
- Communicate to prospective members the expectation to attend meetings and be an active member of the council.

## **CCBT Committee Membership List**

- Decision was made to post the Chair of the following committees in the bulletin without phone numbers: Building and Grounds (Aggie Burlee), Cemetery (Gerry LaForge) and Social Ministry (Marie Smith/Pam AuClair)
- Marie Smith will send the list and request for posting in bulletin to Mary DeLisio.

## **If Time Permits**

### **CCBT Communication Process for Vetting New Initiatives through PC**

- If any council member is contacted by a Parishioner, the issue will be sent to Rosemary Seymour to be added to the agenda for discussion at the next meeting.
- Marie Smith was contacted about the Hail Mary being prayed after the Prayers of the Faithful. Decision to do so will be up to the individual Priest.

## **Men's Group**

- Paul Statskey noted that Deacon Kiley is interested and would like to meet with a few members to give him an idea of who and what the Men's Group is. This is in the planning stages.

## **Parishioner's Letter to PC Members**

- Brief information about the letter to Pastoral Council with note that everything had been rectified.

**Closing Prayer:** Pastoral Council Prayers and Faith Sharing (November 15, 2020); Marie Smith

**Meeting adjourned:** 7:46 PM

**Next meeting:** Thursday, December 10, 2020, 6:00 PM, St. Mary Magdalene

**Submitted:** Via email in draft on November 15, 2020, by Marie Smith, with request for adds, changes, deletes by end of day on November 22, 2020.

**Minutes Approved:** Motion to accept the minutes by Paul Statskey on November 30, 2020, seconded by Kathy DeMass on December 1, 2020.

**Submitted:** December 2, 2020

**Future Meeting Dates:** December 10, January 14, February 11, March 11, April 8, May 13, June 10