

Pastoral Council Meeting
April 13, 2021

Members Present: Father Dale Cieslik, Louis Leppert, Chris Williams, Alexandra Rogers, Nancy Collette, Jim Ernsperger, Roy Greenwell, Joey Followay

Members Absent: Ed Scott, Michael Thomas, Eric Guy, Sharon Mann

Others Present: Deacon Earl Baker; Mitchell Elder

Meeting opened with prayer.

Mitchell Elder presented the council with an update on the Parish Activities Center construction project. He reported the good news that so far, they have hit no rock while digging, which is a relief and will save some money. The kickoff meeting with the contractors from Wehr Construction went well. Mitchell was very thankful for the strong leadership of Bill Zoeller and his relationship with Wehr Construction.

The construction of the new Parish Activity Center will be a 12-month project with the expected grand opening to be March 3, 2022. Mitchell handed out the detailed construction schedule to council members.

The Steering Committee will reconvene soon to develop a list of wants and needs for inside the new building after it is constructed. Some examples would include technology items, access control, etc. Additional funding will be needed for completion of that project.

Chairman Lou Leppert directed a review of the March minutes. Chris Williams moved the minutes be approved as written; Roy Greenwell seconded, all in favor.

Pastor's Report

Father Dale started by giving thanks to Mitchell Elder and the Steering Committee for their hard work thus far on the PAC.

There will be a Memorial Mass for Richard Hartman, a parishioner who passed away during the early days of COVID-19, on April 24 at 1:00 pm.

20 candidates will celebrate their First Communion at St. Francis Xavier on April 25 at 2:00 pm.

The next Parish Staff meeting will be on April 29 at 1:00 pm.

Articles are due for submission in *The Crossroads Messenger* on May 1st.

Father asked for suggestions for our next Formation Committee Chairperson. We are in the process of that search.

The following weddings will take place at St. Francis Xavier in coming months:

Weber-Miles Wedding will be May 15 at 2:00 pm.

Guinn-Kondrat Wedding will be June 18 at 2:30 pm.

Lunsford-Stiff Wedding will be June 26 at 2:00 pm.

The Super Raffle and SpringFest will take place on Saturday, June 12. The Super Raffle Drawing will be at 7:00 pm. Joey Followay gave an update on the planning of those events. He reported that there will be 5,000 Super Raffle tickets sold. There will also be an all-day volleyball tournament, organized by parishioner Julie Adams, that day. The goal is to have 12 teams in the tournament.

In addition to volleyball, there will be food and games at SpringFest. Joey reported that they are working to have someone from ValuMarket come grill, and the Knights of Columbus will have a carryout-only style Fish Fry in the evening hours. Games will include lucky number boards and split the pot, with more information to come following direction from the Archdiocese about what will be allowed.

Father Dale reported that we WILL have mass on Derby Day this year, May 1, at 5:00 pm.

Other work and plans of Father Dale include:

A Pastor's CSA Annual Meeting will be on April 15 at 12:30 at the Pastoral Center from 12:30-2:00 pm.

A fundraising dinner for education at the Archdiocese of Indianapolis on April 16-17.

Father Dale will be presiding over mass at St. Bernadette Church on May 17 at 8:15 am.

Upcoming Staff Birthdays:

April 17 - Dave Richardson

May 1 - Helen Hagan

May 2 - Father Dale Cieslik

Old Business

Father Dale reported that on-site meetings have started gradually. Some are still waiting and choosing to meet virtually still. Religious Education is going well.

Lou Leppert gave an update on Parish Council Membership-at-Large Selection. Michael Thomas and Joey Followay will rotate off the council this year. Sharon Mann will also transition off the council due to other obligations. So, we will need to add one member for one year (to replace Sharon) and two members for two years to replace Michael and Joey. In addition, we will need one alternate.

The names will be drawn at 9:00 am mass on May 22, Pentecost Sunday.

Lou will put information in the Bulletin and advertise at mass. The new members will start their terms in August, 2021.

New Business

Al Zielberg, our Formation Committee Chairperson and long-time parishioner, passed away this month. Therefore, we have that vacancy to fill.

Father Dale reported that at our next meeting, Chris Williams will present the annual parish budget report.

Committee Reports

Administration

Chris Williams reported that we have one more month left of our Capital Campaign. We have reached 94% of our amount pledged so far.

Michael Thomas sent in a report that he is working with Vincent Sivori to coordinate a meeting with both the Hospitality and Safety Teams in the next few months.

Parish Life

Nancy Collette had no news to report.

Stewardship

Ed Scott sent in a message that the Stewardship Committee will resume meetings Thursday night, April 15.

Worship

Eric Guy had nothing new to report.

The meeting ended in prayer.

The next Pastoral Council meeting is May 11, 2021 at 6:45 pm.

Minutes submitted by Dana Steinmetz, Pastoral Council Secretary