

# St. Mark Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: **June 27, 2013**

Time: **7:00 pm**

Location: **Boardroom, Parish Center**

Prayer Leader: **Ann Berkemeier**

Refreshments: **Fr. Todd**

## **Scripture/Shared Prayer**

Mary Ann Jacobs led scripture and shared prayer.

## **Roll Call/Approval of Minutes**

**Dawn Collier**

Minutes from 05/23/13 were read, accepted and seconded. In attendance were: Father Todd Riebe, Dawn Collier, Darrell Gossett, Mary Ann Jacobs, Chris LaFollette, Pete Masengale, and Carol Pitzer. Harold Bowling, Bob Cross, Lindsey Fischer, and Amy Frederick were absent. New members Ann Berkemeier, Carolyn Bundy, and Kathy Pierce were also in attendance.

## **Pastor Comments**

**Fr. Todd Riebe**

Fr. Todd felt that the Funfest was very fun for families. He felt a great spirit of community.

## **Committee Reports**

### **A. Social Life**

Dawn Collier reported on behalf of Harold Bowling. The Men's Club is planning a trip to see the Cincinnati Reds play on 7/19. The Men's Club annual golf outing is being planned for 8/24 at Winding River Golf Course. Sponsorships are being sought. Dan Deak is the contact person for the golf outing.

### **B. School Commission**

Dawn Collier reported on behalf of Mickey Lentz. Most of the meeting was spent in discerning roles and responsibilities for the coming school year. School enrollment is near capacity of 270 students. The summer camp was a great success. Technology in general was discussed as it relates to future plans for the school.

### **C. Finance Council**

Bob Swayze reviewed the budget for fiscal year 2013 – 2014. The budget has been raised by 2.5% for the coming fiscal year. The past year of 2012 – 2013 income surpassed the budget. The council recommends the budget for approval.

### **D. Liturgy**

Father Todd reported that we are entering a long stretch of ordinary time.

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## Agenda Items

### A. Catechesis of the Good Shepard

Angie Swiezy was unable to attend this meeting so this topic will be presented at a future meeting.

### B. Budget Review

See the section on Finance Council.

### C. Staff Update

Father Todd reported that as of 7/1/13 St. Mark will be fully staffed. Deacon Tom will be starting as the Director of Faith Formation. Julie Albertson will be the Coordinator of Youth Ministry. The Junior High youth ministry will be stand alone at St. Mark. The High School and Young Adult youth ministries will be shared with the rest of the South Deanery. Chris Guedel has taken on more responsibility and is now the Administrative Assistant for the parish rather than the Parish Secretary.

### D. Commissions Update

Father Todd shared a hand-out of the Parish Councils and Commissions which was reviewed to make sure that all groups are included under the different commissions.

### E. Connected in the Spirit Pastoral Planning

Pete Masengale reported that Bob Cross is the chair of the St. Mark Core Team. Pete is the chair of the cohort and Carol Pitzer is the secretary. The cohort includes St. Barnabas and St. Roch. Each parish completed a forty page survey. The cohorts are comparing the surveys in order to prepare a final recommendation to the Archdiocese on partnering opportunities. The recommendation is scheduled to be turned in to the Archdiocese in September.

### F. Festival Recap

Pete Masengale reported that the Funfest met its goals of building community and raising funds for the parish. Attendance was very good. Food trucks were popular, however people did miss the corn and elephant ears. The amount the Funfest made will be shared with the parish at the parish picnic.

### G. Parish Picnic

Father Todd reported that the parish picnic scheduled for 8/18 will be held on St. Mark property. The new women's group, the Sisters' Circle, will be leading the planning for this event.

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## H. Year of Faith: 20 Year Anniversary Celebration

Fr. Todd reported that the Year of Faith: 20 Year Anniversary Celebration will be held on 9/21 with a dinner after 5:30 Mass. Beth and Joel Groves are the chairpersons for the meal. After dinner there will be a thanksgiving prayer service in the church. Several people that were integral to St. Mark Church will be honored. The 20 year anniversary projects are still being pursued. St. Mark is in the process of getting two estimates on the floor. The lighting company is making their recommendations.

## I. O'Riley House

Father Todd reported that the house will be acquired soon.

## J. Thank You Cards

Many thank you cards were completed for the many Funfest chairpersons.

## K. For the Good of the Parish

*Sharing by all on:*

### 1. Good things happening

It is the first anniversary of Deacon Tom's ordination. The festival was a big success. The budget is in the black. The school is nearly full. Attendance is up at Masses. There have been many baptisms. Many have participated in having their photos taken for the new parish directory. Many of these good things are due to the enthusiasm and leadership of Father Todd.

### 2. Needs in the parish

It would be good to have a wish list on the parish web site. A new lift would be good as would a ramp for the altar. Coffee and donuts after 7:30 Mass would be a welcome addition.

## Reminders

The next business meeting date is 8/1/2013 where orientation will take place and new officers will be discerned. A social event for the PC will be held 8/22.

Prayer:

**Ann Berkemeier**

Refreshments:

**Father Todd**

**Closing Prayer** Led by Mary Ann Jacobs.