**St. Joan of Arc**

**Pastoral Council Minutes**

**November 5, 2018**

**Attendance**: Fr. Willie Franken, Ray Ford, Ginger Bahr, Chuck Hoppe, Robin Carnivale, Terry Welker, Dick Berndt, Deacon Ray Van Pelt, Lou Kosydar, Roseanne Dowdy, Jack Fuller and Nancy Schmidt

**Absent**: Bob Chrest, Tony Smith

1. **Opening Prayer**: Nancy Schmidt
2. **Presentation by Joshua Cox for Eagle Scout Program**: Joshua presented his Eagle Scout project which is to refurbish the area around the grotto behind the Church office to the Pastoral Council and answered questions about the project. The project will be completed in May 2019.
3. **Agenda Items**:

* **Minutes from October meeting were approved**
* **Parish Calendar Review October thru December**
* Reviewed the parish calendar & Deacon Ray highlighted upcoming events between now and January. Some additions to the calendar were made and a few corrections.
* **Fr Willie Pastor’s Report (see attached)**
  + Take the next step campaign has been rolled out for this year and commitment weekend is November 10 & 11th.
  + Maryknoll sent a thank you note for the parish’s support.
  + Mass of remembrance was well attended, and Joan Lozinak had hospitality after Mass.
  + 100th anniversary committee has met and has many ideas. They will work to set the theme at their next January meeting.
* **Financial Update Lou Kosydar (see attached)**
  + The trust is not quite performing as well due to the recent stock market trends.
  + Discussed a difference in Specific Operating Area Expense and the jump in that line item and Lou has asked for an explanation which Robin Carnivale will investigate getting him more information.
* **School updates Ginger Bahr (see attached)**
  + Attendance remains the same at 194.
  + Reregistration is open for 2019-2020.
  + New Marketing director has been hired
  + Mrs. Bahr had an article published in NCEA magazine
  + Open House is this week 11/08
  + Collaboration on the Aberdeen parade float for the Christmas parade between the school and the youth ministry
* **Faith Formation & Young Adult Ministry Dick Berndt & Deacon Ray**
  + The parish has taken a giant leap toward changing the face of the Faith formation program. Currently, we are evangelizing families on multiple levels each Sunday morning between masses.
  + Chuck Hoppe & MaryEllen Kosydar have worked diligently to expand Children’s Liturgy of the Word.
  + There are 25 families in First Eucharist this year.
  + Alpha program being spearheaded by Nathan McVey and the team. Currently have about 65 folks on the weekend participating in that program.

1. **New business**

* **St. Joan of Arc Parish statistics Robin Carnivale & Deacon Ray** 
  + - Reviewed numbers of parishioners & sacraments and discussed trends
    - Terry Welker will meet with Deacon Ray and Father Willie & discuss some points for the state of the parish address to be done at Masses.
  + **Discussion about security during Mass** 
    - We are looking at reviewing policies with the ushers especially with the new ushers about safety and security as well as handling situations such as illness.

**Our next pastoral council meeting will be December 3rd at 6:30 in the Rectory with dinner before the meeting. All are asked to bring a dessert of drink to share ~ dinner will be provided. Nancy Schmidt will send out a reminder prior to the meeting.**

The prayer next month will be led by Terry Welker

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Schmidt