## PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES Tuesday, November 24, 2020

## **OPENING PRAYER** – Father Peter Meyer

- Present: Annamae Elliot, Ken Gallipeau, Deana Pfanner Groves, Deacon Basil Markides, Fr. Peter Meyer, Iris Miltenburg, Barb Vodicka, Leona Weishar, Debbie Yutzi. Special welcome to our council to Debbie Yutzi and Deacon Basil Markides. A big thank you to outgoing members.
- Absent: Adrian Miltenburg

Approval of Previous Minutes: Moved by Annamae Elliot and seconded by Ken Gallipeau

## BUSINESS

- 1. Organ The organ has arrived and we have hired an organist who will start this weekend.
- 2. One Heart, One Soul We are halfway to our goal. We ask for the prayers of the parishioners for our continued success. Donna is to email the list of callers with instructions regarding the handing in of the completed forms.
- Confessions Saturdays 4:00 – 4:30 p.m. (beginning December 5<sup>th</sup>) or by appointment
- 4. Christmas Mass Times
  4 p.m., 6 p.m., 8 p.m. Christmas Eve
  9:30 a.m. Christmas Day
  Registration is required either by phone or by email by December 21, 2020.
- New Year's Mass Time
   p.m. New Year's Eve
   a.m. New Year's Day
- 6. Decorating for Christmas: Stacey is our decorator. She will have sign-up sheets for volunteers in the Narthex.
- 7. Co-vid Concerns: The council felt that some parishioners are still hesitant to come to Mass. Covid is adding stress to families. There is a need for outreach to our elderly parishioners who do not feel safe to come to Mass. They are getting lonely with minimum socialization. Fr. Peter is to contact Marty about reaching out to them.
- 8. New Ideas or Projects:

Every Tuesday during Advent we will be having Adoration from 6:30 – 7:00 pm.

- We are also planning a Turkey Dinner for Saturday, December 12, 2020 for take-out only from the Grill on the Green (Elmira Golf Course). Barb will need

volunteers to deliver meals to the shut-ins. People will need to preorder. More information will be in the bulletin.

- 9. Pastoral Information Update Iris Miltenburg
  - We had 4 Baptisms and the participants have been agreeable to limit the gathering to 10 people.
  - First Communion and Confirmation preparation is to start in Feb 2021.
- 10. C.W.L. Report Barb Vodicka
  - Thank you greatly for the donations made to the Carmelite monastery.
  - Food trucks were a great success.
  - The C.W.L. will be having a Mass but no potluck on December 8, 2020.
  - Memberships are due.
- 11. Knights of Columbus Report Adrian Miltenburg

- The Knights supported the Elmira Legion by buying a wreath for Remembrance Day.

- They are adding the names of two deceased members to the memorial plaque.

- The Knights are donating \$1000.00 per year for the next three years to the One Heart, One Soul Campaign.

- They have decided to delay any take-out food fundraisers until next spring due to Covid.

- Woolwich Community Services will not have actual packaged Food Hampers so no manpower is needed. Only gift cards will be distributed. - - - The council is looking at a possible Knights of Columbus Memorial Mass in January.

- Knights of Columbus on line new memberships will be free of charge for the first year if they join before December 31, 2020. Details will be in the church bulletin.

## **CLOSING PRAYER** – Iris Miltenburg

NEXT MEETING - To Be Scheduled