

St. Andrew Parish Pastoral Council

Minutes of the October 24, 2016

Members Present: Fr. Cordier, Andy Hofmann, Ray Lamping, Lindsey Braud, Brian Sullivan and JoAnne Lacey. (Absent: Fr. Chris Geiger, Kristin Woodard and Vicki Kundrat)

Prayer: led by Fr. Cordier

Milford Main: Jon Soellner, St. Andrew Business Manager, along with Jim Echols, a member Milford First United Methodist Church delivered a joint proposal presentation on , Tuesday October 18th @ Milford City Hall of a shared parking arrangement on the Milford Main property. St. Andrew is also interested in purchasing a small piece of the property on Main. City Council was understanding of the importance of the need for parking spaces as well as keeping the people safe. Milford City Council will decide in the future.

Electronic Sign: three designs of electronic ground signs have been proposed. The quote is \$27,000. Last year's quote was \$16,000. Fr. Cordier will find out the reason for the increase. Holy Name has offered to donate toward the sign. Positioning the sign in front of the church office or in the place of the existing sign on the front lawn between the church and the rectory was discussed.

Steinway 1963 Baby Grand Piano purchase: Seller: Piano Pros, Cost: \$15,500 plus approx. \$1,000 to move it. Fully insured. Council had no objections from a financial perspective; felt it was a good investment. It should last years if well maintained. Existing is a 1992 upright piano. Sell existing to offset the cost of the new piano. Parish Council supports the purchase and moving forward.

Financial Statement: Council reviewed the July 1st-Sept 30th 2016, First Quarter Fiscal Year 2017 Financial Statement. There is a \$29, 000 deficit. We had several one time expenses/improvements that contributed to the deficit, such as remodeling the kitchen in the church hall. Sunday collections are down. Bingo is down \$10,000 from a year ago. It was noted that we really need bingo volunteers to arrive early to help sell instants. Beside just a bulletin reminder, we will send an email to volunteers. We appreciate our volunteers immensely, they give much of their time to help. We also have not contributed to our Archdiocese Assessment, which is due semi annually. Fr. Cordier said they will begin sending at least \$1,000 a month. An air handler in the church basement needs to be replaced, cost is approx. \$10,000. We will withdraw some money from our parish reserve maintenance fund to offset some of the expenses.

Fall fundraiser: has replaced Winterfest.

Matthew Kelly Books: will be distributed again this Christmas

Bibles for PREP students: was discussed. The students lack knowledge of the Bible, this is a concern. Catechism of the Catholic Faith or the You Cat version for students was also discussed.

Next Meeting: Monday, November 28th 8 pm at Seton, after joint meeting (Enter through the doors in the middle of the building facing Buckwheat.)

St. Andrew Parish Pastoral Council and St. Elizabeth Seton Pastoral Council

Minutes of the October 24, 2016 Joint Meeting

Members Present: St. Andrew: Fr. Cordier, Andy Hofmann, Ray Lamping, Lindsey Braud, Brian Sullivan and JoAnne Lacey. (Absent: Fr. Chris Geiger, Kristin Woodard and Vicki Kundrat) **Seton:** Fr. Cordier, Scott McManus, Steve Kroeger, Justine Lakatos, Ruth Brothers

Prayer: led by Fr. Cordier

Share: briefly discussed how we can work together as a group. Things we have in common: mainly priests and the school.

Wednesday Fast and Mass: discussion on whether it should continue after November. Majority of both councils support the continuation. Fr. Cordier said that since December is such a busy month we will skip that month and begin again in January. The possibility of themes was also discussed. Fasting will be further explained to the congregation of both churches.

Holy Hour: on Nov 7th was mentioned

Exposition of the Eucharist for SASEAS School children and PREP children: November 8th Election Day. Students at both campuses would spend a half hour in adoration. (Mr. Wilburn would like the school to be known as one who prays too much, this is a great place to start.) PREP students will not be in school if they attend Milford Public Schools. It was discussed that they too would be invited to Exposition on this date.

School Parents' responsibility to bring their children to Mass: Discussed the possibility of a group to be formed to find ways to greatly improve Mass attendance of school families.

Sunday Mass times at St. Andrew and Seton: Mass time changes were discussed but no changes will be made in the near future.

Next Joint Meeting: Monday, November 28th 7:30 pm at Seton

