

St.Mark Pastoral Council Meeting

February 17,2022

In attendance: Father Maurer, Sean Malone, MaryAnn Draye,Paul Sundberg, Pat Riley and Abner Manahan

Absent: Dirk Bartram, Gina Olsen

Opening prayer: Father Maurer

Review of Minutes:

December: correct spelling of Dirks name in call-a-thon section.

January: correct spelling of Last names for Dirk and Abner.

Separate phasing between lighting issue and school door repair to indicate they are separate issues.

Minutes are approved pending amendments.

Update on Call-a-thon:

Going well- both callers and parishioners expressed very positive and excited responses.

Special thanks and kudos to Todd and Laura for their administrative help and to MaryAnn,Paul and Gina for all their hard work making this happen!!

Next steps:

Still have openings for callers.

No call to be made on Ash Wednesday.

There is no conflict with scheduled Synod Listening meetings.

Synodal Way update:

Despite initial parish positive response, the sign up for parish listening events have been low. There are still many openings.

Questions aroused regarding the possibility of information from Listening events being shared with Council without identifying respondents.

Can we have Tom Martin come in March to give an overview of main topics from listening events.

Currant events:

How can we productively talk about and assist people in regard to current worldwide Church issues; i.e. Latin Mass, Germany issues, etc.

What is the level of awareness at St. Mark?

How can we assist?

Sean will reach out to Deacon Kirk to explore forming a group to present events on current issues.

Coffee and donuts:

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Now permitted again!!!!

Should St. Mark re-institute?...unanimously approved!!!!

Concerns:

We no longer have a hospitality guild:

Can we have existing groups assist: Scouts, School parents, KoC, Guilds and offer them a small percentage of the proceeds for their group as an incentive?

Sullivan hall is too small: we can move to the cafeteria.+

Some still have health concerns: easier to accommodate social distance in the cafeteria.

Remember: Sunday in Lent are abstinence free!!

Balloons for the first day!!

Future Agendas to consider:

Parish priorities- future direction for St. Mark.

Council- build mission statement and purpose.

Finance Council- in need of new members: possible candidates were suggested to Father Maurer.

Closing Prayer: Father Maurer

Next meeting: March 17, 2022 @ 6:30-8:30 pm.

Adjourned @ 8:30pm