

## St. Michael Parish Council Meeting – 16-January-2019

Attendees: Fr. Ed Burns, L. Caulfield, K. Connelly, C. Cooper, R. Geoppinger, J. Grote, B. Hunt, E. Jansing, J. Knapmeyer, J. Konves

### "The Buzz":

- Great comments about the Epiphany concert.
- Christmas mass good reviews:
  - o 3PM most crowded, (standing room only), 5PM least crowded but still well attended, (~90% capacity).
- Good and bad feedback on pictures for new directory
  - o Good participation, had to add 3 extra days.
- Discussion about Advent Wreath – why could it not be on the altar? More visible, easier to light.
  - o Father to discuss with worship commission.
- Discussion of school topics.
- Discussion around how Parish Council communicates with parish:
  - o Possibly publish agenda on website ahead of meetings.
  - o Publish notes on website to keep people informed.
- Discussed how we interact with other faiths.
- Christmas book was well received, lots of people signed up to attend the discussion in Jan/Feb.
- First Coffee with Fr. Ed at Panera was not well attended – need to advertise differently
  - o Could we get on Sharonville Facebook page?
- Discussion of ways to recognize people for service to the parish:

### UPDATES

### Arise:

- Season two of Arise corresponds with Lent, kicks off the week of Ash Wednesday or the week after ending around Holy Week.
  - o No need to do season one prior to season two.
  - o Sign up Sunday week of Feb 9 and 17.

### Centennial Committee:

- Parish dance is Feb 23, 2019 at Manor House in Mason – invitations have been sent.
  - o 8<sup>th</sup> graders are running a coat check to raise money for their trip.
- August 11<sup>th</sup> Field Mass
  - o Shelter reserved at Gower Park
- Cyclones game was well attended
  - o Red's Game will be scheduled for later in the year.
  - o Remind people to wear centennial T-shirts.

### DISCUSSION ITEMS

### Mission Statement:

- Reviewed Archdiocese Mission Statement for Parish Councils
  - o Statement covers mission of St. Michael Parish Council well.
- Discussion around how Parish Council works with other councils/commissions of the parish.
  - o Other parishes bring all councils together at once and each gives an update.
  - o Could explore one member of other commission providing update to parish council, possibly on a rotating basis.

- Will need parish council members to serve as members of team to coordinate parish region with St. Gabe parish.
- Discussion about how people know who is on council – is there a place to list members of council?

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#### Fr. Ed Updates:

- Fr Ed met wit Fr. Dave of St. Gabriel
  - o Going to ask archdiocese for a pastoral associate for the region this year.
    - Lots of nursing homes in region for priest to cover.
    - St. Gabe school is below 300 students, with consolidated school not all student's families attend St. Gabe.
    - Large Hispanic population at St. Gabe
  - o Going to get representatives from both parishes to discuss pastoral region.
- Archdiocese has a program called "The Amazing Parish"
  - o Want all parishes to be represented.
  - o Efforts to revitalize parishes.
- Update on daily mass schedule
  - o If school is closed, parish office will close and there will be no mass
  - o If school is delayed on days of 12PM or 7PM mass and weather is improved there will still be mass.
    - Download App to stay informed.
    - If questionable please call the parish office – if no one answers office is closed.
- Youth commission met yesterday – attendance is good and holding steady.
  - o Looking at mission trip locations.

#### Follow Ups:

- Next parish council meeting Wednesday March 13, 2019