Joint Meeting Pastoral Council/Finance Council 2/6/25

Joint Meeting with Finance Council:

- Opening prayer
- Roll Call- Phone Rob Warner, Ken Wendling, Present: Becky, Barbara, Cherly Bishop, Leo Wendling, Angela, Dean Newman, Ryan Yaklin, Danielle Thiede, Decan Al, Fr. Kelm, Tim, Carolyn Birchmeier, Deb
- Update on current Financials by finance council:
 - o Christ mission appeal- \$4,000 from last year
 - This years assessment \$90,375 total families 464
 - 50% participation- 80% of the goal- own \$12,053
 - Renovation loan \$320,000 or \$34,667.97
 - Under expenses by \$500 from what was budgeted
 - Giving is up \$65,000 from this time last year
 - Pastoral Council-
 - Social Commission budget needs- approved by finance council
 - Youth going to potential trips- Saginaw and NCYC- budget for that?
 - Savings account for the youth group and it can be used for the trips-\$8,269 currently in the youth account- separate line item than good news center
 - Haven't pulled from that money in years- no deposits, no withdrawals just sitting there!
 - Have used in the past for VBS
- Reinstate the kids collection Start this weekend 2/8/25
- Rescue Project: Bishop Gruss on board of directors for it- 9 presentation series- basic
 Ideas of faith
 - o Creation of Adam and Eve
 - Christ freed us
 - Apostles on mission- follow their footsteps
 - 45 mins presentation by nationally known priest John Recardo
 - Ends with the parishes to figure out how to draw people back in
 - Starting in a week and a half finish after easter
 - Bishop comes out for a presentation for the parish- who ever wants to join to talk to the parish about what we are going to do to encourage parishioners to come back to stop the closing of parishes
 - Michigan wide project- Rally in Midland we bought 2 tables possibility to buy another table if needed- Saturday, May 17 8am to 4pm
 - o Graduation Mass- May 18th
- Pastoral Council: Review Meeting Minutes
 - Updates since last meeting
 - Digital inventory compete as of 1/31/25- for insurance purposes
 - Rectory Remodel complete
 - Blood Drive took place on the 30th
 - Daily booklets- looking at purchases for Daily mass readings

Made a few changes on 12/12/24

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- Building Inventory/Insurance
 - Digital inventory complete as of 1/31/25
- Holy Land Carvings weekend of March 1st and 2nd in the Narthex
 - o Handmade carvings for sale
- Who will host soup suppers during lent and where will the proceeds go?
 - Hosting- each committee could pick a date and them proceeds go to that group or a donation
 - Do we want to do them again? They go over well lets continue to do them!
 Social event for people of the parish to come together
 - March 13- Pastoral Council- Proceeds go to Youth group fund
 - March 20- Walking with moms
 - March 27- Finance Council or Staff
 - April 3- Finance Council or Staff
 - No Supper on April 10th
 - Stations of the Cross start at 7:00
 - Soup Supper starts at 5:30 to 6:30
- Roundtable
 - Deacon Al- Men's gathering on Feb 15th- on the beatitudes between Luke and Matthew- social first then chat- get comfortable with each other and discuss
 - 15 people the first group
 - 15 people the second group
 - In the announcements for this weekend's mass
 - Danielle-
 - Children giving envelopes- in the front entrance if you want them
 - Where are the minutes housed on the website- still working on the website
 - o Tim-
 - Put an elevator in for an upstairs- since the renovation with the choir in the upstair unsafe for some choir parishioners
 - Cost of this? Different codes since it is a commercial building \$150,000 to \$250,000 for cost
 - Discuss this next month- add to agenda
 - Extra Speakers, the current ones have been tweaked to try and help the sound. Need to look at the side isles of the church, main body of the church seems fine
 - Becky- Deacon Al was praised for his homilies when will he do it again on weekend mass
 - Ryan People asking about adult formation- great gathering event to have and discuss
- Next meeting: Feb. 20th @ 6:30- Social Committee will be attending- update next meeting April 24th
- Closing Prayer