St. Thomas More Parish Council Agenda Monday, April 21, 2025

Members: Gustavo Amaya, Jared Anderson, Lynn Baker, Shannon Lurtz, Alma Machaen, Holly Miller, Connie Poat, Dennis Quigley, Dennis Sanders, Elaine Stevens, Camille Warden, Matt Wurth, Fr. Mike Clark, Fr. Basilio Az-Cuc

MEMBERS ABSENT: Matt Wurth, Holly Miller

Opening Prayer was led by Dennis Quigley.

PENDING BUSINESS

- 1. The Business Manager update was given by Fr. Mike. Two more candidates were interviewed. The discussion of flexibility with this position was discussed.
- 2. Recruitment for new members Postulation Process
 - a. List of prospective members was reviewed. Sixteen names were submitted by the council.
 - b. The Discernment will be on May 19th. We will do this in one meeting instead of two.
 - c. Nomination slips will be placed in the pews ASAP and a notification will be placed in the bulletin, Fr. Mike will coordinate this with Jill.
- 3. Envision 2 Update
 - a. Sound System did not get started in February.
 - b. Roof is almost completed. They paused work during Holy Week. They have resumed.
- 4. Hope Unlimited Baby Bottle Campaign Knights of Columbus will help hand out bottles. They will also match our contributions up to \$1,000. Someone with Hope Unlimited will speak one weekend at all the masses.
- 5. Committee updates were reviewed with no additions.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. New Staff
 - a. Roy Murray, Maintenance Manager, will begin on May 5th.
 - a. Holly Shockley, Communications and Staff Assistant, will also cross train on other positions.
- 2. Diocesan Office new Staff
 - a. Director of Permanent Deaconate
 - b. Tribunal Notary Rachael McFadden
- 3. Shannon discussed Emergency Preparedness due to the weather we have recently experienced. There was a study done during COVID concerning this issue. This will be located and provided.
- 4. The Corpus Christie procession is scheduled for May 22 at 6:00 p.m.
- 5. Sacraments:
 - a. Confirmation was held with Bishop Medley. We had 20 confirmed.
 - b. During Easter Vigil we had three baptisms and six confirmed.
 - c. First Communion will be on May 11 at 11:00 and 1:00 masses. There will be approximately 50 receiving this sacrament.

OTHER BUSINESS

- 1. Sr. Yessica will be returning to Mexico due to her VISA. She will leave for 1 year and see is she can return. She leaves at the end of June. It was suggested that we hold a reception for her.
- 2. On May 25th Susan Gausser will be here to update everyone on immigration policies and help those who are in need.
- 3. Right to Life will have an event on May 1st in the parish hall.
- 4. Mike Bogdan passed away
- 5. Vacation Bible School is June 2nd through 6th, 9am to Noon. The fee has been reduced. Ann Morrow is writing the curriculum.
- 6. Priest Anniversaries: Fr. Mike, 5/27, 30 years; Fr. Basilio, 5/28, 9 years. There will be an expanded wine and cheese reception on 6/7 and during coffee/donuts on 6/8.
- 7. Feast of St. Thomas More is on June 22.
- 8. Fr. Jerry Riney will officiate masses August 9 / 10. This is also his 50-year anniversary. There will be a reception to celebrate.

Closing Prayer was led by Dennis Sanders.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.