

**Our Lady of the Greenwood Parish Pastoral Council**  
**Minutes of the October 28, 2020 Meeting**

**Members and Guests Present:** Fran Reiley, Steve Pappas, Carolyn Gibson, Mike Kalscheur, Judy Koch, Dominic D’Ettore, Kent Clady, Helen Flanigan, Nathan Coulombe, Dave Lekse, Maria Gomez, Mike Veenhuizen, Fr. Todd and Fr. Vinny

**Members Absent:** Ava Kalscheur, Matt Sierp, Rita Roush, and Stacie Hocker

The October meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council was called to order by Chairman Nathan Coulombe at 7:00 pm.

**Opening Prayer:** Fr. Todd led the opening prayer.

**Building Report:** Members of the Finance Committee joined the first part of the PC meeting. Parishioner Mike Holtkamp presented an illustrated report of various repairs and maintenance issues needed or recommended for buildings, primarily relating to the roof. Mike presented a summary of bids received from four (4) roofing companies (out of eight solicited): Smither Roofing, SPG Roofing, Bone Dry and Fredericks. Mike took questions. Mike recommended that OLG accept the bid from Fredericks for roofing (\$165,837), and recommended other small projects which, along with such roofing, total \$214,981.

**Minutes:** The September minutes were reviewed with a motion to approve subject to revisions, by Carolyn Gibson, seconded by Helen Flanigan; motion passed.

**Comments from Chair:** Nathan Coulombe mentioned, and Fr. Todd confirmed, there have been a lot of funerals. These were not generally Covid related and are attributable to OLG being an aging parish. The search for a Youth and Young Adult Minister is ongoing and interviews are planned for 3-5 prospects. Fr. Todd wants a good match and prefers not to rush into a choice. The unofficial parishioner Facebook group is up to 223 members and conversations have been civil. Nathan called for Commission reports.

### **Commission Reports**

**Christian Service:** No report this month.

**Faith Formation:** Helen Flanigan reported that Shae Beechler is helping with the new young adult ministry, called “FIAT” and the first event will be in November. Matt Serp is working with CAFÉ (Catholic Adult Fellowship Education). Study materials will be available for Advent. Keith Syberg is working on getting a Lenten speaker for the first Friday in Lent (Feb. 19). Becky Cope reports that 98 people prepared for Confirmation. 100 students received or will receive 1<sup>st</sup> communion. 32 are enrolled in preparation for the next 1<sup>st</sup> communion. 95 are enrolled in SMRE, including a class of about 20 Spanish adults. 59 participants (38 of whom are children) are enrolled in family based religious education.

**Social/Family Life:** Steve Pappas reported that at this time, CYO status is unknown. The coffee and donuts ministry is on hold. The K of C are helping with the food pantry. K of C will hold a blood drive, and Boy Scouts will assist. There will be a Rosary at the Greenwood PD headquarters on Sat. 10/31 at Noon.

**Spiritual Life:** Judy Koch reported that Jeff Havens is planning for the Christmas Masses. The Little Flowers group is doing well, with 40 girls attending the recent "Tea Party". The Blue Knights are inactive presently, and need adult leaders. The St. Zita's group has done a good job overseeing volunteers in the monthly cleaning of the church. There are presently just a few people receiving Communion at home, due to Covid. Connie West is starting the rosary prayer group in the next week or two. The Adoration Chapel will restart on November 2. Don Benson is setting the schedule.

**School Commission:** Kent Clady reported. Adra Ferguson-Allen is the new Chair. Krista Taggart is the Vice Chair. Members will attend PC meetings on a rotating basis. The school staff has been blessed with 4 new babies.

**Stewardship:** Mike Veenhuizen reported. This commission is reorganizing and has not met for a few months due to Covid. Mike is working on compiling a new roster, and revisions to the bylaws.

**Financial Report** - Fran Reiley discussed fiscal results. Budget information was sent out prior to the meeting. The overall church net income is slightly lower than budget, year to date but is expected to balance by October. OLG obtained a \$456,000 PPP loan from 5/3 Bank, which is expected to be forgiven.

**Old Business:**

See update on Youth minister, above.

**New Business:**

Bathroom Cleaning – The school janitor retired. OLG has hired Citywide Service, a janitorial service provider, to clean the church and school 5 times per week.

Parish Council Study - Discussion Letter from Archbishop Thompson – The Council continued its study and discussion of "We are One in Christ". Fr. Todd led the discussion on the second topic of the Letter, which is "Whatever you do to the least of my brothers . . .".

Parish Council Meeting Schedule – A discussion about upcoming meeting dates was held, along with the question of whether they should be held virtually or in person. The Council agreed to meet in person. The October meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 28, 2020. In November, the Council will meet on Wednesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>. There will be no meeting in December due to Christmas.

**Comments from the Pastor:**

9:05- Closing Prayer led by Fr. Todd

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Dave Lekse*, Secretary