

In Attendance: Fr. Jim Benz, Deacon Mark McCarthy, Mary Bryne, Ann Ficken, Celeste Leuck, Mike Mohrmann, Lynn Owen, Donna Pundmann, Al Rothermich, Tony Scoggin, Laurie Steinkamp, Chris Unterreiner, Deb Young **Excused:** Dan Pelikan,

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm and began with Evening Prayer. Minutes of the July 28 meeting were approved as submitted.

Formation – Evangelii Gaudium - Chapter 3

The discussion about Chapter 3 centered on the idea that a Parish Council's purpose being evangelization. There was conversation about what evangelization looks like. Many of the council members commented that evangelization was not something that was taught or talked about much during our Catholic educations, and that it was traditionally something other faiths did more than the Catholic Church. The council wonders if our children are being educated about evangelization today. It is important that we all remember that evangelization takes many different forms and there are many different ways to do it. Many things in our daily lives give us to opportunity to evangelize.

Father Jim reminded the group that we should be filled with the joy of the Lord and showing that joy is a huge way to evangelize to others. People will see it in us and want to have it, too.

Chapter 4 will be discussed at the next meeting.

Called and Gifted Seminar

Deb Young, Chris Unterreiner and Ann Ficken will each sign up individually to attend the seminar, along with a few from other ministries at St. Cletus. There were not enough to obtain the group discount. Information will be sent to each person with the instructions for signing up.

Parish Council Selection Process

Laurie Steinkamp and Al Rothermich have chosen to remain on the council for another term. Mary Bryne is not eligible for another term and the remaining members have chosen to allow others to take their places on the council.

Nominations from the current members were accepted, and a list has been created. The process for soliciting nominees from parishioners was discussed. The idea of tying it to the annual stewardship process was discussed and will be considered as the timeline is finalized. Celeste Leuck, Ann Ficken, Al Rothermich, and Tony Scoggin will form a committee to establish the next steps and timeline for the process.

Ministry Meeting Update

Celeste Leuck provided an update on the recent ministry meeting. There was a speaker on stewardship from the Archdiocese at the meeting. All ministries were asked to emphasize stewardship. All ministries are going to be asked to share what they do following Masses. The intent is to have one a month, on weeks when there are no other activities already planned before or after Mass. Consideration is being given to creating a "block-captain" concept throughout the parish, to have assigned parishioners to welcome new parishioners. The group meets semi-annually and will meet again in February.

SWOT Committee Update

Due to time constraints, there were limited updates at this meeting. Chris Unterreiner did share that St. Roberts has decided to not move forward with a meeting to share ideas at this time, primarily due to lack of interest from other parishes. An update from each group will occur at the next meeting.

St. Cletus 50th Anniversary Celebration

- A draft letter to be sent to all past Priests and Deacons of the parish has been written.
- There has been a very limited response to the request for volunteers to help with the events. The committee will be recruiting people to help.
- Banners will be made to hang on the light posts during the anniversary year.

Pastor's Time

- Father shared a draft of the annual stewardship report. The report will go out mid-September.
- The small missalettes and songbooks are no longer available. The parish will be converting to the larger ones, which will have larger print.
- The Bridge Bread program is going to begin in September, but will be on a bi-weekly basis, rather than weekly, to start.
- The parish school participated in the ALS Ice Bucket challenge and donated funds to an organization that does not support embryonic stem cell research.
- The next movie night will be on September 12, and will present A Man for All Seasons.
- A representative from "Food for the Poor" will at St. Cletus the week-end of September 22.
- Father Tillman, from "Unbound", will be at St. Cletus the week-end of November 9.
- A Mass for Peace, specifically due to the challenges in Ferguson, will be held at 8:00 on August 30.

*Next Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, September 30, 2014** at 7:00.*