St. Gregory the Great Family Pastoral Council (FPC) July 22, 2024

Present: Fr. Aaron, Debbie Birck, John Elliott, Jim Moyer, Gloria Parker-Martin, Chris Richard, Megan Roach,

Jeff Zalar

Excused: Fr. Steve, Dan Frey, Pam Payne

Guest: Maggie Leon Guerrero – Director of Communication, Engagement, and Events

Don Saelinger – Chair of the Pastoral Council for the Riverview Family of Parishes

Father Aaron opened and closed the meeting with prayer.

June meeting minutes were accepted.

We had a discussion with Maggie Leon-Guerrero regarding her role in the Family of Parishes.

- Maggie discussed the various ways the Family communicates to parishioners through emails, newsletters, and the weekly bulletin.
- Maggie was hired during COVID to be the Coordinator of Communications at IHM. With restrictions lifted, Maggie also assumed the responsibility for coordinating event planning for major parish gatherings including the gala and festival and is currently the staff liaison with Social Action.
- Regarding events, Maggie would like to continue the annual combined Mass at the seminary and consider other events such as a trivia night or possibly a "drive-in movie" night that would attract family units.
- Maggie will consider expanding the festival to be a St. Gregory the Great event.
- We discussed the combined bulletin and a Family email. There is a conscious effort to limit the number of emails that are sent.
- Our entire council expressed our gratitude to the many things that Maggie has done and continues to do.

Liaison Reports

Guardian Angels

- The church renovation and the turf field installation are on schedule.
- The church will reopen the weekend of August 10.
- The field will be dedicated after the 3:30 Mass on August 3rd.
- There are 530 school children registered for the coming school year.

Immaculate Heart of Mary

- New members of the Parish Council were onboarded. During previous meetings, a process for vetting new members was established. They will discuss creating a nominating sub-committee.
- The festival was a success.
- There are 584 school children plus 112 preschool children registered for the coming school year.

St. John Fisher

- The SJF Parish Council does not meet during the summer.
- IHM's summer PRP program has been held at St. John Fisher this summer.

Deacons

• The Deacons will have a social hour with wives to welcome Father Aaron on Friday night.

Worship

- The combined choirs will sing at the GA Church reopening.
- The new Associate Director of Worship, Matt Spencer, has been well received at GA.

The combined Pastoral Council-Leadership Team Happy Hour will be Thursday, July 25th at IHM in the St. Matthew room. The hours will be 4 to 5:30. Jim and Debbie have done the planning.

Don Saelinger discussed issues and opportunities related to the Riverview Family of Parishes. They are a family of four churches staffed with three priests.

Parochial Vicar Report:

• Fr. Aaron is happy with his living accommodation. We encouraged him to let us know if he has any needs or concerns.

Our next meeting will be Monday, August 26th, at St. John Fisher. Our guests will be Kendall Keiser, Director of Health Ministries, and Barb Szucsik. The meeting will begin at 7:00 PM.