**St. Mary Pastoral Council Minutes, October 24, 2016**

**Joint Meeting of Parish Council and Finance Committee**

**Present**: Pat Rohrer, Kathy Day, Mary Lou Hahn Setta, Virginia Krueger, Cathy Guinan, Marita Martin, Scott Staelgraeve, Fr. Bill, Deacon Tom, Shelly Wheaton, Donna Eder, Gary Galvin, Mary Williams, Mike Nobis, John Koepele, Mary Underwood, Michelle LaRue

**Prayer:** Led by Scott

**Overview of the evening:** Given by Donna Eder

Before the goal setting portion of the meeting began, Mary Lou gave a brief presentation on the, **Called by Name,** Diocesan Conference attended by 20 members of our parish.

**Ted Talk:** As a helpful toolwe watched a 5 minute portion of a Ted Talk that focused on how to interest people in your group or organization. The speaker said that rather than telling others WHAT you do and HOW you do it, start out with a passionate reason for why you do what you do. This lead to a discussion of why we are Catholics.

**Discuss worksheets:** Cathy went over the information on our handouts including: Organizational Goal Setting, SMART goals and then an explanation of the chart we would use to activate our goals.

**Brainstorm ideas:** Two large sheets were mounted on the wall. As a group we brainstormed ideas for goal in the coming year for Parish Council and the Finance Committee. Shelly recorded for Parish Council and Mary for Finance Committee.

Parish Council Ideas- 1. **Inspire those in the pews to do more, pull in more 18-30 yr. olds, (suggesting using small group training- eg. Cursillo (explained by Deacon Tom), Alpha, Christ Renews His Parish)** 2. Communicate to Parish, Council meetings open to all (Virgina will work on this) 3.Increase the use of Parish app.(Mary Lou will work on this) 4. Do more non-church things with Parish (Decided that we are working on this) 5. Finish logo (Virginia) 6**. Healing Mass** 7. Parish Prayer in pews (Marita)

Finance Committee Ideas- 1. 75 online givers (increase) 2. Special collection reminders3. Advertise envelopes in back of church for those who forget 4. Fundraiser (dance, festival, silent auction etc.) 4. Capital Campaign

**Prioritize Goals:** Finance Committee decided to work on their goals at their next meeting and left the joint meeting. Parish Council chose the two highlighted goals for the next year. Individuals listed above worked on their personal goals. Two small groups met to work on the highlighted goals. Scott, Pat and Deacon Tom took on goal #1 and Father Bill and Kathy took on goal #6.

Using the goal chart in a fifteen minute period each group completed their task.

**Share outcomes:** Father Bill and Kathy reported the various ways the Healing Mass would be advertised for the parish. Scott reported that his group would investigate- Cursillo, Alpha and Christ Renews His Parish and report the findings at the next Parish Council Meeting.

**Closing Prayer**

**Following our closing prayer, we had a thank you and celebration for Cathy Guinan’s many years of service on the Pastoral Council. Scott kindly volunteered to take on the leadership of our Pastoral Council.**

**Next Meeting will be Monday, November 28**