

## *Holy Spirit Parish Pastoral Council*

*December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019*

Present: Fr. Doug Krings, Gregg Matsko, Dave Glaeske, Lori Durocher, Colleen Ryan, Elaine Becker, Dawn Clutter-Collins, Gina Hanson, Marquita Francis

1. The meeting was opened with the prayer to the Holy Spirit.
2. Minutes of the November 5<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved.
3. The Mardi Gras celebration and alternative parish social activities were discussed. Ultimately it was decided to continue the Mardi Gras celebration this year, with the addition of BINGO being added to the evening dinner. The parish school will be asked to contribute placemat art, wall decorations, and music enhancement. In 2021 we will transition from Mardi Gras to a Valentine's Day Dinner-Dance.
4. Loose Collection Tithing for December will be given to the Children's Receiving Home as decided at the last meeting.
5. Our search for new council members continues. Another notice will be placed "front and center" in the bulletin. Fr. Doug has two people he hopes will be willing to join the council.
6. School Consolidation was addressed. Dawn presented a "quiz" to heighten council awareness of the ongoing process. Fr Doug shared a letter from the Holy Spirit Finance Council. There has been turmoil surrounding the consolidation. Elaine read the message delivered in October to the Consolidation Board. The many hours of work and effort that have gone into this consolidation were recognized. We are all asked to become better informed, and pray for this difficult issue.
7. The Administrator's Report was not given due to Mark's absence.

8. Commission Reports – the recent Worship Committee meeting included introducing Breaking Bread hymnals, tri-fold prayer and song pew inserts, evaluation of the Remembrance Service, upcoming December 11<sup>th</sup> 6pm reconciliation service, Christmas schedule of Mass on the 24<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 and 8:30, 25<sup>th</sup> at 9 am, and the New Year's Day Mass at 10 am. Christian Service met and brought together many ministries including Fair Trade, Bus Service, Recycling, and others.
9. Thank You Note – sent to the Holy Spirit Finance Council.
10. The meeting was closed with prayer and a blessing from Fr. Doug.
- 11. The next meeting of the Parish Council is scheduled for January 7<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Elaine Becker