

# St Michael Parish Standard Committee Meeting Minutes November 17, 2021 Upper Meeting Room

**Present:** Susan Bakhshi, Martha Bogue, Dan Caterinicchia, Greg Daniel, Father Dinovo, Joe Fiala, Brett Gissel, Rebecca Lund, Elaine Miracle and Jessica Schmitt

**Regrets:** Bethany Cook, Deacon Crerand, Deacon Demidovich, Father Emmaunel, Sr. John Paul, Kim Pardi, Joe Soller, Seth Walker and Gabe Wollum

### **Opening Prayer** – Father Dinovo

### **Chairperson Report** – Martha Bogue

- The minutes from the September 2021 meeting were approved.
- A warm welcome to Jessica Schmitt the new Women's Faith and Fellowship representative.
- Real Presence Real Future Session took place at the end of September. They presented options for merging parishes, etc. The sessions can be watched online on the Real Presence Real Future website.
- North High Deanery completed their Fall Bereavement session at St. Michael. Last month's Deanery Pastoral Council meeting was cancelled.
- Vacation Bible School planning typically begins in January. The program has been purchased. We currently are in need of a committee to begin the planning.

### Pastor Report – Father Dinovo

- On December 1<sup>st</sup> there will be a prayer for the end of abortion. The St. Michael chapel will be open. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be from 5:00pm 9:00pm. Parishioners are encouraged to attend.
- The Diocese will be holding 40 Days of Adoration again this Lent. St. Michael will be hosting it on Saturday March 26, 2022. The day will begin with Mass at 8am, Exposition and Adoration and confessions.
- The parish job search continues. There is one potential candidate for the Youth and Adult Catechist position. Father is also looking for a part-time Pastoral Minister.
- The College of Consultors meets on December 2<sup>nd</sup> to choose the administrator of the Diocese. Real Presence Real Future will continue although no decisions will be made until the new Bishop is appointed. Regional Vicars have been appointed by the Bishop to bring better communication flow to the Diocese.



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### Appointed Members Report

- Knights of Columbus Brett Gissel
  - The Knights will be holding their annual Christmas party in December. The sub sale for vocations will be held in January.
- Girl Scouts Susan Bakhshi
  - There are currently three troops kindergarten, 2nd grade and 4<sup>th</sup> grade. They hosted a successful Friendship Sunday earlier this month.
- Joe Fiala Men's Faith and Fellowship
  - December 4<sup>th</sup> there will be a video with a speaker regarding a man's experience with abortion.
- Greg Daniel Adoration Ministry
  - There is Exposition the first Friday of the month. There are two or more adorers at most hours.
- Dan Caterinicchia Athletic Association
  - Basketball and cheerleading are now is full swing. There are 8 boys and 4 girls basketball teams. The Athletic Association is in a strong place fiscally. Both the golf outing and the euchre tournament were successful. Ideas for a spring fundraiser are being explored.
- Jessica Schmitt Women's Faith and Formation
  - Advent by Candlelight will be held on December 10<sup>th</sup> in Marian Hall.
- Elaine Miracle St. Vincent DePaul
  - Sponsor-A-Family will be assisting 72 families this Christmas season. 400 coats, hats and scarves were donated last month. Special thanks to the Boy Scouts for their food drive. The pantry is now full! \$8,000 in rent, utilities and assistance was given October.

### New Business – Martha Bogue

Outdoor Christmas decorating will take place on December 18 and the inside decorating will take place on December 22. The decorations will be taken down on January 9<sup>th</sup>. A Sign Up Genius will be sent out next week.

• It was discussed that the Father/Daughter Dance and Mother/Son Bowling are well loved events that are missed by the community. It was suggested that Parish Council coordinate these events in the absence of a Respect Life Committee Chair.

### Closing Prayer – Father Dinovo

Meeting was adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Bakhshi, Secretary



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Hello Parish Council!

We are so excited to show you what we have been doing and our future plans for the year. We have been blessed to be at your parish, and we can't thank you enough for the opportunity you have given us to minister to the youth at the parish! We have named our youth group "Elevari," meaning to elevate. We want to elevate these youth's faith, and we would love to give you an update on how we are doing that!

We started off the year with a general high school kick-off and party, with the following week having a middle school kick-off along with a seperate high school night. We have had themes such as how to hear God in prayer, who we are as sons and daughters of God, the importance of a daily prayer life, and how the words we speak actually affect our daily lives. We have seen so much growth individually in the kids with these topics!

We have also seen so much growth in the number of kids coming to our youth group! We started off having around 25 high school kids and 20 middle schoolers coming to youth group, and we have slowly grown to now have 40 high schoolers and 30 middle schoolers coming to youth group consistently, with all of them having a smile on their face the entire time. We can't wait to see how much further we can grow this year!

We have a few future topics planned out including the role of evil and suffering in our lives. We are so excited to see how much further we can grow the kids into the men and women in Christ they are called to be! Thanks for your interest in the youth group, and we hope to be able to talk to you guys more soon!

Through Christ,

Jack Gebert