St John Neumann Parish Council Meeting Minutes Jan. 18, 2022

Present: Fr. Dury, Bob Hettersheidt, Tami Wetzel, Jackie Sutton, John Kutys, Jud

Scheaf, Jay Hedrick, Kandi Smith, Nate Schroeder

Absent: Bob Scott, Christina Weber, Jim Sullivan, Diana Stankiewicz, Jim Knox

Opening Prayer – Father Dury

## **Old Business**

- Discussion on meeting times and agreed to meet bi-monthly
  - Meetings to be held Sept. Nov. Jan. Mar. May
- Parish Council main purpose is to be leaders and create a culture of vision, which communication is the key to assure that everyone is on the same page.
  - Each member to provide PC what is happening in each group, so we all know what is happening within the Parish
- PC members will be decided by executive committee by March 2022 and the constitution will be updated after that.
- Father Dury asked us to be leaders and did a presentation on what leadership looks like within the Parish, which is what the leadership team had come up with.
  - Our motto is Expect Transformation.
    - SJN to exist to bring people to a transformative encounter with Jesus Christ, allowing him to work through us.
      - Bring people back to mass and reconciliation
    - As we continue to grow, if part of a group (which are not social clubs), share this message and expect people in your group to be transformed within their eternal soul through Jesus.
  - Culture of Invitation Authentically, we want everyone to invite others into our Parish family
    - Believe that a simple invitation could be a seed that changes their life forever
- Coming soon "The Rescue Project"
  - Father John Ricardo, who developed Alpha, has develop using the same format as Alpha. Small groups to build relationships. Groups could have non-Catholic or non-practicing Catholic within them.
  - This should help start a pathway of discipleship. Life groups will be formed that pray together, connect, study, faith formation, serve the poor.
    - Life Groups may partner with Evangelic Catholic "Reach More" program, which trains mission leaders of small groups. Purpose is to go outside walls and dig deeper.
- PC was asked to read the first chapter of the book "Rescued" for discussion at next meeting.
  - Purpose is to try to model what small groups should be doing.

## **New Business**

- Transfer of "We Share" on-line giving program— Most ever projected to give on line.
- New families are continuing to join our Parish with currently over 1800 families are members.
- Endowment Fund Drive to be low key and will be with the contribution statements that will be mailed out.
- Women's and Men's Conference to be held in Feb.- trying to get carpools to have people go together.
  - o Deacon Carl to be handing his book out at the women's conference.
- March Parish mission to be held March 20<sup>st</sup> -22<sup>nd</sup>, with reconciliation on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.
  Father Adam Streitenberger will be leading.

## Committee Updates

- o AFF- Jud
  - OCI 8 people in program-3 to be baptized and 1 to be received
    - The "Rite of Sending" will precede the Rite of Election at St. Paul. Both will happen the same weekend.
    - Goal is to get the 8 involved in small groups
- TMIY-Jay
  - Kicked off the spring series successfully, but no thought on summer series yet.
  - Pulled in new members from Fr. Dury's breakfast
- Men's Group-Nate
  - SJN is the host for the men's conference
    - Planning to have 2000 men in attendance
      - Usually have about 1200 signed up by now. Currently at 130
    - Will have a meeting to make sure there is enough volunteers at men's conference. Will give pulpit speech in 2 weeks.
    - Nate will talk to Bob Scott about funding shirts for the volunteers. In the past small groups funded. Shirts could be used for other events and would have a basic SJN logo on them.
- o SVDP- John
  - Requests are picking up since stimulus and other federal programs are gone
  - Looking for volunteers but will not be pushy. Commitments are longer.
    - Good idea for small groups to volunteer could hand out food last Sat of each month, deliver groceries in Sunbury each month, or volunteer at BWFS anytime.
      - Once life groups are developed do volunteer quarterly/annually as service projects.

- By rule, SVDP cannot fund other non-profits except other SVDP Conferences. SVDP Conferences twin to support SVDP Conferences that receive significant monetary requests.
- SVDP can/has requested grants from the Diocese. As per this groups discussion, SVDP can submit a request for funds from the GSM.
- Festival Kandi
  - Committee meeting will be starting for the June 17/18 festival
  - Kandi handling the contracts for all vendors
    - New amusement company booked
    - Sat music booked -Reganomics

Meeting to adjourn made by John Kutys and second by Jay Hedrick The next committee meeting is March 15th at 6:30 Respectfully submitted by Tami Wetzel, Parish Council Secretary