

# **One in Faith Area Catholic Community**

## **Meeting Minutes**

Church of St. Mary, Fireside Room

May 9th, 2023, at 7:00 PM

### **Opening Prayer**

The regular meeting of the One in Faith Area Catholic Community was called to order at 7:02pm on May 9th, 2023, by Richard Sand.

### **Present**

Gary Feldewerd, Jean Hemker, Father Newton, Jan Herzog, Father Dan, Father Marv, Richard Sand, Anastacio Roblero, Char Meyer, Lilian Arnzen, Pam Pundsack, Herman Lensing, Kateri (Diocese), and Ashley Feldewerd

### **Approval of Agenda - consensus approval**

### **Consultative Discussion - Pastors**

Father Marv Enneking – Easter celebrations were great! First Communion for this year are all done. Baccalaureate Masses are coming up.

Father Dan – County Road 12 is closed, so a reminder not to take the interstate to get to New Munich. Addition is starting in New Munich for the updates to the parish. Groundbreaking was a week ago Monday. Step removal is first and is coming up this week. Excited for the end of school and summer. VBS is June 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>.

Father Arockiya Newton – Last Saturday they had a Cynco De Myo celebration in the school. The turnout was not as good as it was in the past, and the rain also had an impact. Hoping to request permission to use the street earlier and get permission from the city to do this.

### **Parish Reports**

- a) St. Mary –
- b) Sacred Heart –
- c) Immaculate Conception –
- d) St. Rose of Lima-
- e) St. Michael –
- f) St. Andrew –
- g) St. John – Corpus Christie will still be happening in Meire Grove, June 10<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am mass.
- h) Hispanic Community –

## **Old Business**

- a) Divine Mercy Sunday Event (April 16<sup>th</sup>) mass – this event went very well. The event started at 2:00, confessions, sang the Divine Mercy Chaplet. There were close to 150 people present at this event. They were incredibly happy with the turnout. It was an impressive event. Father Dan did close to fifty confessions, thanks to Father Dan for doing this. Singing the chaplet turned out well, they also had praise and worship music. Around thirty people came down for the social after the event. Areas for improvement would be a welcome message in the program, note that they can come and go as they please, having a minimum of two priests to hear confessions, soften the piano music slightly, blessing of images, reduce wait time for confession, possibly doing a mass in the future. Richard said that he thought things went well and that it was a good event. Other parishes consider hosting this in the coming years if they wish to. Good feedback all around from everyone that went. Christian women provided the refreshments for the social after the event.
- b) My Parish App – Kateri noted that the Diocese uses this app, and it has its pros and cons. You can create separate groups within the app. Parishioners can download the app for free but do have to subscribe to your parish to get the notifications. You would need to decide who should update it and who would have access. Anyone can see the information on the website. Flock note is another app that is used by other parishes.

## **New Business**

- a. Herman Lensing asked about receiving communion under both species, it was discussed that this is a parish-by-parish decision.
- b. New Munich used to have a Munich fest, this year they are going to start bringing the back this year on June 10<sup>th</sup>. Raffle and more will be the name this year, may have Bingo, will have a polka mass at 4:00, cake walk, and have about a 4-hour event.

## **Agenda for Next Meeting**

- a) Future planning for the ACC
- b)

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm by Richard Sand. The next meeting will be at 7:00pm on July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at the Church of St. Mary.