

Haven of Mercy Catholic Community Committee Meeting
Thursday, November 18, 2021 at 7:00 PM
LOLO Church Basement

A. Call to Order

1. Prayer – Fr. Ben
2. Roll Call

In Attendance: Fr. Jimmy, Fr. Ben

Stanislaus, Sobieski:	Joyce Borash, Michael Retka
Sacred Heart, Flensburg:	Alan Ringwelski
St. James, Randall:	Bill Kuesel, Gail Johnson
Holy Family, Belle Prairie:	Darrell Welle, Nicolette Gindele
LOLO, Little Falls:	Michelle Blaine, Joe LaForce
St. Mary's, Little Falls:	Lori Kneeland, Brigid Fitzgerald
MOL School:	Val Kula
Traditional Latin Mass:	Larry Feldt

Visitor: Jessy Waldoch

B. Recommended Action

1. Routine Matters
 - a. Approval of October 21, 2021 Minutes Val, Lori PASSED
 - b. Approval of Agenda with 2 add ons: Darrell, Lori PASSED
2. Unfinished Business:
 - a. Prayer magnets: ready and will be passed out to parishioners in all six parishes. Michelle got this done. Remember we are branding our name: Haven of Mercy Areas Catholic Community.
 - b. Lighthouse Strategic Solutions: trustees and priests met to hear the findings and recommendations. Director of Operations job posting shared. Priests will prepare a joint statement to all the parishioners. There will be interviews for this position involving a search committee.
 - c. Website design: Jessy will return her changes to the subcommittee. Subcommittee is meeting tonight to decide on domain name.
3. New Business
 - a. Christmas Holyday Schedule for Haven of Mercy Area Catholic Community. This year Christmas weekend includes 2 separate Mass obligation days. This means Friday and Saturday will be meet the Christmas obligation and then Sunday will be for the Holy Family Sunday obligation. Most likely there will not be Masses on Saturday night. The schedule will be shared with parishioners.
 - b. We will continue to talk about a process of moving towards one Pastoral/Parish council for the six Churches. Note that a Pastoral/Parish Council is there to assist in providing vision for the parish. Parish Committee is the body that then implements the vision/does the legwork. This development of a Haven of Mercy Area Catholic Community Pastoral Council will take some months, hopefully, to have the new director of operations involved. Each church will continue to have a finance committee/council. As this evolves by-laws for each will need to be reviewed and amended as needed.
 - c. Deanery Meeting: Bishops wish to work on revival of Eucharist throughout the USA. (the real presence in the Eucharist) This could include a Eucharistic Congress in each diocese followed by a National Eucharistic Congress. It could also include a local HOM ACC

Congress. Challenge is there are different focuses established by the Pope, the Bishops, the Parishes, makes for a lot of work. Discussion was that concentrating on one to begin and then move to other areas.

Joe's Discussion: The Adoration Chapel is again opened. Now there is need to restart the process to fill in all adoration slots. Sally Greene, Marlene Knopik, Mike Retka were working on this early on. Taking time to make intentional choices to have people from each parish assisting in sharing to each parish the need for individuals. Maybe another focus for our ACC could be determined: suggestions included fostering devotions (adoration)(Randall has Monday adoration hour with Benediction. It is live streamed.)server training, education (find a place of encounter for those who are not involved in the parish, or have left the Church. Somewhere outside Mass.) Maybe we need to concentrate on fewer areas so not look to add more 'things' on more days but choose what we want to concentrate on. Simplify.

Look to Knights and all parishes for new adoration hours.

Decision: As an Haven of Mercy ACC community we support the Adoration Chapel and will work to spread the word that there are slots that need to be filled. Remind people they can and should call Deacon Jeff if interested.

C. Information and Reports

1. Delegations- None
2. Non-Member Communication & Reports- None
3. Sub Committee Reports - None

D. Questions by Committee Members

E. Next Meeting Date: December 16, 2021 at Our Lady of Lourdes church basement at 7:00PM

F. Adjourned

Submitted by Brigid Fitzgerald

<p>The Haven of Mercy Catholic Community Committee is an advisory body that advises the pastors in making decisions important to the well-being of Haven of Mercy Catholic Community.</p>
