

1. **The meeting convened with Opening Prayer and Song at 6:00**
2. **Roll Call –**
 - a. *Present:* Louise Beauchemin, Margaret Beauchemin, Flor Bonilla, Susan Cannon, Deacon Correa, Miguelina Correa, Anna Evans, Carin Geoffrey, Darryl Geoffrey, Jennie McGiverin, Michael Moriarty, Mary Ellen O'Connor, Fr. Francis Reilly
 - b. *Absent:* Paula Conway, Sr. Juana Maria Hernandez, John Kelley, Trish Lamagdeleine, Dora Lopez, Sr. Caritina Olmos, Sr. Cathy Ormond, Virgen Viera
3. **Review and Acceptance of Minutes from Last Meeting**

The minutes from the September 12, 2023 meeting were reviewed and accepted.

ONGOING BUSINESS
4. **Parish Commission Reports**
 - a. Mary Ellen O'Connor provided Mass Schedule Survey Results. No decision has been made. Mass schedule will remain as is for now. Fr. Reilly has procured assistance from Fr. Mark Mengel to cover one Mass a weekend
 - b. Communion Breakfast – 46 tickets sold so far...one more weekend of sales
 - c. Votive lights for November remembrance will be sold 10/15 weekend. Expecting 300 to be sold.
 - d. Mary Ellen O'Connor provided a financial report of the parish picnic. The net cost was approximately \$5500
 - e. Historical Commission Meeting was inaccessible due to technology issues. We expect the demolition to be delayed for several months by the city. Diocesan lawyers are involved. Next city meeting is 10/25 6PM.
 - f. We need a group to conduct an inventory of altar clothes and dressing to determine what needs to be replaced. We hope that an inventory could be conducted by Christmas. Carin and Fr. Reilly need additional people to join them in this process.
5. **Pastoral Plan**
 - a. Louise Beauchemin reached out to Blessed Sacrament and Our Lady of the Cross. There will be a meeting in November for all 3 pastors and parish council members to discuss how we can all work together in the future.
 - b. Fr. would like to create a team to look at our RCIA program to insure that it is meeting the needs of the parish going forward.
 - c. Additional Goals will be discussed next month
6. **Social Media**
 - a. Photos from the Parish Picnic have been added to our Facebook Page
 - b. No content is being provided to Darryl to improve our Website look and feel. We need to keep improving, but not sure how to accomplish it.
7. **New Business**
 - a. Irish Night – We will look into whether or not the JPPII center could be available for the Irish Night on March 9, 2024, as a better facility to have such an event. There is a concern that they do not have a “music shut off” switch required by the city.
 - b. Feast of Guadalupe will be 12/10 with Mariachis and luncheon at Guadalupe center. Fall into the Holiday event helps defray the cost of this event.

- c. All Saints Day Fiesta at the 12:00 Mass 10/29, Dress as a Saint. Parade and party at OLG center afterward. The council would like to receive better reporting of funds/proceeds/expenses from these types events
 - d. Eucharistic Adoration will be 40 hours from December 1 – 2. Signup sheets will be available.
 - e. Youth group meetings are continuing with regular participation by many youth. The day/time/location for the meeting may be changing. They are trying to expand into a Diocesan Youth Group. There are already 50 youth signed up for a day at the farm.
 - f. Mike Moriarty presented some cards that feature the Holyoke Window from the IC Chapel. These cards will be sold as part of Holyoke's 150th anniversary and a page will be added to our website explaining the window.
- 8. Comments for the Good of the Council**
- 9. Next Meeting Particulars**
Next meeting is scheduled for: November 14, 2023 – Tuesday, 6 PM
- 10. Closing Prayer**
Fr. Reilly led a closing prayer
- 11. Adjournment**
The meeting was adjourned at 7:25

Respectfully submitted for review, amendment and acceptance by Darryl Geoffrey, November 13, 2023