

## **Christ Our Hope Pastoral Council Meeting – Thursday, November 19, 2020**

Location: OLMC, Lawler

Adoration—6:30PM

**Mission Statement:** The Christ Our Hope Cluster offers meaningful, fulfilling and varied avenues of worship, Catholic education, social service and community life for all ages within our six parishes to support the active practice of Catholic Faith in all that we do.

Members Present: Chairman, Steve Busta (ABVM), Melvin Bodensteiner (SL), Julianne Kout (OLMC), Maxine Balk (SM)


Members Absent: Leon Wiemann (ABVM), Clair Blong (SL), Gail Carolan (OLMC), Kathleen Chicken (SM),


Kyle Fencil & Cheryl Mracek (HT), Roger Ott & Barbara Shatek (SJ)

COH Staff: Grace Arens, Pastoral Associate

**Meeting called to order at 7:08PM by Fr. Nick Radloff**

 **Opening Prayer:** Our Father


 **Minutes** from Oct. 1, 2020 – Motion to approve: Steve Busta 2<sup>nd</sup>: Melvin Bodensteiner Approved

 **Financial Review** - Income is down. PPL (Payroll Protection Plan that covered three months of payroll during the shutdown period) will be forgiven.


Cluster itself is doing fine. Expenses about the same for this period compared to last year.


Net assets are up 3%.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

 Cluster Office/Holy Trinity realignment update – the Archdiocese of Dubuque has hired a new Director of Pastoral Planning who will begin after Jan. 1, 2021. Archbishop Jackels will be making his final decision after the new director has taken his position and planning is under way. Look for a decision sometime in the next three months.

### **NEW BUSINESS**



 **Fr. Radloff's Retreat:** Nov. 30 to Dec. 4 Father Daniel Knipper will be covering for him.


 **Discussion COVID Shutdown** – Father Radloff does not want to leave the parishioners without the sacraments. He is comfortable with the way things are currently being handled. Pastoral Council agreed to maintain the current status.


 **Christmas Mass Schedule:** 😊 Father Daniel Knipper has graciously agreed to help out this year.

**Christmas Eve (Thursday, Dec. 24)** 4PM – OLMC (Fr. Radloff) 5PM – SM (Fr. Knipper) 6PM – ABVM (Fr. Radloff)  
12:00AM – Midnight Mass at SJ (Fr. Radloff)

**Christmas Day (Friday, Dec. 25)** 8:30AM – HT (Fr. Knipper) 10:30AM – SL (Fr. Radloff)

 We will have music for Christmas Masses.  There will be no Altar Servers.

 One of the Masses will be recorded and put on the COH Facebook page.

 **Christmas Decorating** – we still need to celebrate Advent and then decorations can go up. We do not want to decorate so much we forget Advent.

Decorating can begin on or after the following dates:

St. Luke's - Wed., December 23


St. John's - Tues., December 22

ABVM – Sun., December 20

St. Mary's - Sat., December 19

OLMC – Fri., December 18

Holy Trinity – Thurs., December 17

 The Christmas season goes all the way to February 2, 2021 which is the Presentation of the Lord and also known as Candelmas Day. This date falls on a Tuesday and a special Mass will be celebrated at St. John's, Ft. Atkinson that evening. Watch the bulletin for details as the date gets closer.

 **Closing Prayer:** Hail Mary

**Adjournment** at 7:45PM

**NEXT MEETING: TBD**

Respectfully submitted,

*Maxine Balk, Recording Secretary*