St Malachi Parish Pastoral Council

Minutes from the May 3, 2022 meeting

In Attendance: Fr. Michael Gurnick; Judy Slivka; Judy Stowe; Cathy Graham; Tony Cresci;

Melissa Smith-Morales; Steph Riccobene; Claudia Cabrera; Margaret Armstead; Janet Benoit;

Absent: Deacon Leo; Heather Gernheim; Patrick Cleary-Burns; Shawn Blankenship

Guests: Jeanette Shemo; Charlene McElwee; Stephanie Pritts; Michael Fiala; David; Josh

- I. Opening Prayer: Janet Benoit
- **II. Education & Enrichment:** Michael Fiala & colleague, David, presented interesting/inspirational information about the charismatic community of the Catholic Worker
- **III. Approval of the Minutes:** The minutes from the April 5, 2022 meeting--approved as written
- IV. Discussion:
 - A. Update of *Parish Annual Meeting* (5/15/22) roles & procedures
 - B. Nominees for council election were presented
 - 1. Voting (in person & online) to begin at Annual Meeting
 - 2. Ballot boxes will be at all church doors
 - C. Fr. Gurnick's update
 - 1. Strategic planning: Staff, council members & council nominees are invited to a dinner meeting with the committee in the Hall on 5/26/22
 - 2. *Parking:* Jim Bishop is continuing to work on the issues which will be presented at the Annual Meeting
 - D. J. Shemo reported on business facilities
 - 1. Steps to the 2nd floor of the school will be re-done with a lift installed
 - 2. The 2nd floor bathroom will be remodeled ((with ADA compliance depending on a grant) by Steve & Willie
 - 3. Picnic tables with umbrellas for our backdoor guests & Sunday Mornings activities have been purchased
 - E. Reminder of *Union Home Mortgage Marathon* on 5/22/22
 - a. Tickets for parking will be distributed
 - b. Maps will be in the bulletin & online
 - F. The date for June council meeting has been changed to 6/21/22
 - G. Tony Cresci suggested *lighting for the Homeless Jesus sculpture*—will be on next meeting's agenda
- V. Administrator's Report from Fr. Gurnick:

Bishop Malesic replied to our letter about Fr. Tony assuring us that things are "not stagnant" and the diocese is "working actively" on it.

- VI. Summary of Meeting: Melissa Smith-Morales
- VII. Closing Prayer: Claudia Cabrera
- VIII. Next Meeting: June 21, 2022, at 6:30p in the Library

Respectfully submitted, Judy Stowe, Secretary