

**Saint Timothy Pastoral Council**  
**August 7, 2024**  
**2023 Parish Office Kitchen**

**MEMBERS**

**Fr. Rick Bolte- Present**  
**Father Michael - Present**  
**Pastoral Council: Mary Finke (Chair) - Present**  
**Greg Curtin (Secretary) - Present**  
**Vice Chair – Lee Metzger - Present**

<b>Deanery:</b> Adam Howard - Present	<b>Education:</b> Sarah Beegle - Absent
<b>Finance:</b> Mike Brinker - Present	<b>Outreach:</b> Eileen Messer- Present
<b>Worship:</b> Ryan Maschmeyer - Present	<b>School:</b> Deb Geers - Present
<b>Fun &amp; Fellowship:</b> Greg Egbers- Present	

**Call to Order: 7:00PM**

**Open:** Mary Finke

**Introductions:** Lee Metzger, new Vice Chair and David Krank, New Worship Committee member

**Opening Prayer:** All

**Prayer Intentions:** Dave Philbrick

**Approval of Minutes:** Greg Curtin / Lee Metzger

**Committee Reports:**

**School: Deb Geers**

- 413 children enrolled in K-8 grades for the upcoming school year
- 142 in Pre-School, down from 156 last year
- School to begin at 7:10AM, Boone county will have direct busses this year so children will not need to wait at another school for a second bus.
- Teachers received training in Faith Formation

**Diocesan Deanery: Adam Howard**

- Bishop Iffert introduced a decision making process called A Dynamic of Discernment in the Synodal Church. He shared that in the USA we tend to make decisions through a board of directors or legislative process. We think if we don't follow these methods, we aren't effective. This Discernment Process that he shared was more like how a family makes its decisions. This process is outlined in the attachment titled "The Conversation in the Spirit: A Dynamic of Discernment in the Synodal Church."
- Other updates from the Diocese: The With One Heart initiative is inviting people to be Eucharistic Missionaries. Next year we will be celebrating 2025 as a jubilee year beginning with Advent 2024 going through December 2025. The theme of the jubilee year is "Pilgrims of Hope" and will be celebrated among many ways including via a variety of trips. Regional pilgrimages will possibly include a visit to

the Proto-cathedral in Bardstown, Maria Stein Shrine and other shrines. There may also be local pilgrimages.

- There is a plan in the Diocese of making corporal and spiritual works of mercy as primary ways to evangelize. The Bishop is encouraging works of mercy and wants us to “up our game” on corporal and spiritual works of mercy but to also ask participants to reflect on these acts. The works of mercy are intended to invite Catholics, non-Catholics and the unchurched to a relationship with Christ.
- In 2028, the Diocese of Covington will be celebrating it’s 175 anniversary. The Bishop wants us to host our own Eucharistic Congress in conjunction with the Diocese of Lexington.

**Education:** **NO REPORT WAS RECEIVED**

**Fun and Fellowship:** **Greg Egbert**

- We discussed Oktoberfest planning, layout, met with new kids game troopers and set a date for our next meeting. 8/20

**Finance:** **Mike Brinker**

- Tiffany Stephens reviewed the May2024 financial statements. She answered questions and provided additional explanations about variances to the budget in several accounts. Tiffany has done a lot of work since the last meeting to clean up the accounts and financial information, so that the statements are clearer and easier to understand. Tiffany will be continuing this work Tiffany over the next few months. Sheryl Wood made a motion to approve the May 2024 financials and Marc Otto seconded the motion. The financials were unanimously approved.
- The school loan continues to be paid off in a timely manner
- Donations to the church and school continue at a normal rate

**Outreach:** **Eileen Messer**

- Mary Rose Mission is holding steady with the number of clients and volunteers
- Ladies Night out went well and will continue
- Baby shower is scheduled for September
- Mission trip next year will be in Jamaica
- Community Service day will take place September 7<sup>th</sup> from 12-4, preparing bedding for the homeless – Volunteers will be needed

**Worship:** **Ryan Maschmeyer**

**Ryan gave a long detailed report – see attached document**

**Pastors Report:** **Fr. Bolte**

- No decision has been made by the bishop yet on the Columbarium
- Looking forward to the new School Year
- Discussed Amendment #2 for upcoming election, more information will be needed. Father will discuss with the Bishop for recommendations

**Old business** **NONE**

**New Business**

- Committees still need to complete their strategic plans.
- Church timeline needs to be worked on
- Greg to confirm with the Education Committee why they were not at the last meeting and no report was sent.
- It is important that all committees send their report to Mary Finke, Greg Curtin and Lee Metzger before each monthly meeting with the exception of Father Bolte and Deb Geers