

**Finance Council Meeting**  
**Stella Maris Parish Finance Council**  
**Tuesday, November 29, 2016**  
**10:00am**  
**Baileys Harbor**

**Stella Maris Mission Statement:**

Stella Maris Catholic Parish prayerfully unites people in the love of Jesus guided by our patron, Mary.

**Stella Maris Vision Statement:**

We invite all to journey as disciples. By sharing the Gospel, responding to Jesus' love and the gifts God has given us, we welcome all to grow in faith and in our parish life.

**1. Introductions**

- Call to order - 10:00 am
- Check-in (2-minute time limit)
  - Present: Father Dave; Richard Dannhausen, Finance Trustee; Sharon Brabson, Secretary Trustee; Peg Berezewski, Chair; Garey Bies; Chuck Germain; Tom Polacek; Emily Hanley; Terry McArdle; Larry Kahlscheuer (via call-in).
  - Absent: Ken Beutler; June Biemeret
- \* Approval of the minutes 10-25-2016
  - Approved with change LRP write-up from "brochure" to brief description
  - Peg will send to Lori for publication
- Agenda additions or subtractions
  - Maintenance purchases—see below in Discussion Items
- Opening prayer: MT 24:37-44

**2. Comments or questions from non- council members - None**

**3. Current Financial Report & Investment Review**

- 2015-2016 FC board to sign Diocesan Annual Report-tabled to January 3, 2017 meeting
- \* Weekly Collection Review – not available
- \* Monthly Collection Review – Bulletin Presentation
  - The bulletin presentation will be changed back to weekly in January to better demonstrate parishioners' stewardship obligation
  - Current breakdown between Envelopes, ACH and WeShare plus Offertory will be retained
  - FC agreed to spend \$175 to obtain the electronic records of parishioners.
  - Collection report in the future should have breakdown at year end listing donors' names by group: i.e., donations of \$100 or less; \$200-101; etc.
  - Father Dave will send a letter after the first of the year regarding stewardship.
- Bank and Investment Statements for September and October 2016- noted
- Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for 7/1 to 10/31 2016 – noted
  - Statements will have budget numbers for comparison sent to FC members
- Annual Report to SMP – December 6<sup>th</sup>
  - Annual Report will be presented at Fish Creek on December 6, 2016 at 7pm
  - Various commission members will give very brief overviews of the 6 commissions activities and achievements during the year.
  - Tom will compile the information he has gathered into a booklet to be distributed after mass the weekend of December 3-4.

- 300 booklets will be printed and distributed as follows:
  - 110 – FC
  - 25 – JP
  - 150 – SB
  - 15 - WI
- Tom will also write a two-sentence announcement to be read with the other general announcements at the end of mass.

#### 4. Pastor's Report

#### 5. Committee Reports & Project Updates

- **Cemetery** – tabled
  - Still in need of someone to take over Cemetery duties.
- **Stewardship Committee**
  - Stewardship committee will meet on 12/13/16. This is the annual planning meeting.
- **Buildings and Grounds**
- **Project Updates**
  - Gutters in Baileys Harbor have been delayed –need 2 bids for the job
  - Snow plow was purchased
  - One lawnmower was purchased
  - Two old mowers were sold and one old mower was retained

#### 6. Discussion Items

- **Sister Bay parking lot use**
  - FC approved use of 50 parking spaces by a local restaurant for its special events, but suggests rental fee be raised to \$400.
- **Long Range Plan Presentation**
  - Terry proposed procedure to facilitate LRP from beginning to completion:
    - FC will set calendar for special listening sessions at the January meeting
    - Listening sessions will begin in January at various parish locations to obtain ideas, concerns and questions from parishioners concerning. These sessions will be held after masses and in evening sessions.
    - After discerning the thoughts and ideas from parishioners -including FC board members- the process of prioritizing will begin.
  - Terry's proposal was heartily agreed to by the FC members
- **Budgeting Process for FY 17-18**
  - Tabled for now
  - Need sample of how the narrative budget would apply to specific commissions within Stella Maris Parish. Peg will follow up.

#### 7. Action Items

- FC board approved purchase of tools for maintenance man: impact driver, drill, wrench, not to exceed cost of \$200 in total
- Warning light for truck approved. This is necessary when snow plowing. The approval was for a strobe-type light with a cost of approximately \$95 - \$100.

## 8. Coming Events

Next Meeting – Tuesday, January 3, 2017 at 9:30am in Sister Bay

## 9. Evaluation

- A lot accomplished
- New members Emily and Terry are a very welcome addition.
- Too long:
  - FC members with financial expertise need to meet beforehand and make brief reports to the FC at large
  - FC members with buildings and grounds/maintenance should present brief reports to FC at large
  - Meetings should ideally be no longer than 2 hours.

## 10. Closing Prayer – All prayer intentions for parish

### Meeting Adjourned at 12:39pm

Respectfully submitted

Peg Berezewski, Chair/Acting Secretary

**Attachment:** (click to open)

### ***Gospel*** [MT 24:37-44](#)

Jesus said to his disciples:

“As it was in the days of Noah,  
so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man.  
In those days before the flood,  
they were eating and drinking,  
marrying and giving in marriage,  
up to the day that Noah entered the ark.  
They did not know until the flood came and carried them all away.  
So will it be also at the coming of the Son of Man.  
Two men will be out in the field;  
one will be taken, and one will be left.  
Two women will be grinding at the mill;  
one will be taken, and one will be left.  
Therefore, stay awake!  
For you do not know on which day your Lord will come.  
Be sure of this: if the master of the house  
had known the hour of night when the thief was coming,  
he would have stayed awake  
and not let his house be broken into.  
So too, you also must be prepared,  
for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come.”

**R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.**

I rejoiced because they said to me,  
“We will go up to the house of the LORD.”

And now we have set foot  
within your gates, O Jerusalem.

**R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.**

Jerusalem, built as a city  
with compact unity.  
To it the tribes go up,

the tribes of the LORD.

**R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.**

According to the decree for Israel,  
to give thanks to the name of the LORD.

In it are set up judgment seats,  
seats for the house of David.

**R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.**

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem!

May those who love you prosper!

May peace be within your walls,  
prosperity in your buildings.

**R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.**

Because of my brothers and friends

I will say, "Peace be within you!"

Because of the house of the LORD, our God,

I will pray for your good.

**R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.**