

St. Joseph Parish Pastoral Council Meeting
October 9, 2017

Attendees: Craig Behm, John Ciccozzi, Jon Drexler, Jason Januszewski, Scott Kimble, Father Joe Mamich, Susan Rath, David Smee, Kathy Tiede, Bill Velioniskis, and Fr. Bob McWilliams, Kathy Wright

Excused Sam Pingatore, Bob Singerline,

Called to Order: David Smee called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm. and led the group in prayer.

Approval of the Minutes: The minutes from the August 14 meeting were approved as submitted. Jason Januszewski made the motion and was second by David Smee.

Youth Representative: Father Joe led the discussion of the need for a representative of the Youth Commission. Presently the person representing the Youth Commission is required to serve only one year instead of the three year commitment of other Parish Council members. This subject will be tabled until the April meeting.

Commission Reports:

Community Life: Susan Rath reported on the possibility of moving the Reverse Raffle to February, replacing the Chicken Paprikash Dinner. Keeping the same vendors for the Parish Picnic, it was suggested that a bigger variety of food items be offered. Perhaps corn hole and some other adult games be offered. The cost of the picnic is about \$1,600. Under consideration is charging maybe fifty cents for the climbing wall. The Clambake raised \$8,500.

Liturgy: Jon Ciccozzi reported there was no meeting held.

Social Concerns: Kathy Tiede reported they are working on a calendar of events. Also they reviewed the guidelines to provide for the position of assistant chairman. Ninety attendees have signed up for the Murder Mystery, to be held on Saturday, October 14.

Spiritual Life: Craig Behm reported there was no meeting held.

Stewardship: Scott Kimble and Bill Velionskis reported that priorities for the coming year were discussed. Father Joe will replace Deacon Bob as adviser for the commission. There is a need for more servers for 8:00 mass on Sunday. Although three servers are preferred, two work well. In 2016 two hundred twenty two bricks were sold and only 20 this year.

Youth: David Smee reported that The SOUL race is October 21, Trunk-or-Treat October 29, Vacation Bible School was held the third week of June. There were 35 Teen helpers who showed up everyday to volunteer and lead their campers to the different activities throughout the week. Many came to help set up and stayed to help organize and clean up. Many hands definitely make light work. Faith Leaders are being commissioned to be leaders for Confirmation activities, By teens for Teens, and possibly to help with the 7th and 8th grade PSR

Follow up from August Meeting: Father Joe asked that all the commission members know about the retreat November 18 from 9:00 am to 3:00. Mass counts will be done the first and second weekends of October.

Pastor's Remarks: Father Joe reported that as of the end of August we are \$8,400 ahead of budget on our [Sunday Offertory](#) collections, and maintenance and repair fund is ahead

\$3,022. Overall, Year to date we are \$54,435 of budget and the organ fund is \$12,000. Originally 2020 was the end date of our mortgage, but the debt will be paid off the end of April this year. The feedback for the mass to welcome Bishop Perez, held on September 11, was very positive. Father Joe has been asked to teach a class on church history at the seminary this fall. October 6 is Father Joe's sixth anniversary as pastor of St. Joe's. He distributed notes on his installation as pastor on November 19. He asked members of Parish Council to review and give feedback on Community, Liturgy, Spiritual Faith/Faith Formation, Participation, Youth and Leadership. A meeting was held to review the progress of these issues on March 13, 2013. During the past six years where have we succeeded? Also where do we have room to grow? He asked that feedback be given at an open forum discussion at the next meeting December 11.

David Smee adjourned the meeting at 8:00 with the Our Father. The next meeting is October 9, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,