

Saint Francis of Assisi Pastoral Council Minutes

11-7-2019

1. Attendance

Fr. Ray McHenry	Charlie Graham
Fr. Mark McGeary	Tom Sepic
DeAnn Howard	Blake Riffel
Joe Koenigs	Rob Manning
Rick Schraeger	Emily McAllister
Bonnie Dickson	Lisa Northup

Guest Sheila Timmerman from the parish office.

2. Opening Prayer/Divine Renovation Discussion

Fr. Ray/Joe

Discussion led by Joe Koenigs and Fr. Ray.

3. Approval Prior Meetings Minutes

Blake approved, Joe seconded. Minutes approved from October meeting. (Sent to Becca Bahl at SFA)

4. Pastoral Report

a. Francis Fest

Fr. Ray thought it was a good event and thanked those that organized and attended.

b. Parish Mission, Thanks for you leadership

Positive comments were received.

c. Other

Director of Operations update. 15 applications received, 5 interviews with call backs in the next week and then hopefully an offer extended. Potential start date of Dec. 1st.

5. Liaison reports

a. Faith Formation; Charlie

Parish Mission: Encouraged members who attended the Parish Mission to complete the survey. The next Parish Mission will be in 2021.

Confirmation: There were 120 confirmed this year with masses taking place on Saturday and Sunday afternoons. The Bishop thought they were good events. He would like to see both masses for Confirmation on Sunday in 2020.

b. BOE; Joe

c. Liturgy; Rick

d. B&G; Bonnie

e. Finance; Rob

f. Safety; Tom

Looking at options to better identify ushers during mass. One suggestion was a sash.

6. Old Business

a. Constitution

DeAnn and Sheila met to discuss the approved parish council constitution. Sheila recommended some changes to be made. DeAnn led the discussion on the difference between Standing Councils and Standing Committees. Fr. Ray attends most Council meetings and may or may not attend Committee meetings. Sheila, DeAnn and Fr. Ray will meet to finish discussions and then Parish Council (PC) will discuss and vote at the January meeting.

b. Zoom

Calls cannot be received but we can call out to conference members in to the meeting.

c. Pastoral Council Renovation

This will be reviewed after the first of the year. One goal is to draw more people into volunteering. Blake Riffel decided to not accept the vice-chair position, a new vice chair will need to be selected.

d. December Meeting options

i. Meals from the Heartland

Meal packaging will be on the SFA campus on December 14th from 9:00-noon. Please sign up for available shifts.

ii. St. Joseph Emergency Shelter

iii. Connection Cafe

Discussed options for the December meeting combining a short meeting with fellowship and service. The options for service were listed above and decided to make a meal together that would be delivered by Joe Koenigs the following day.

7. New Business

a. Parish Bulletin discussion

Discussed how information that is placed in the bulletin is vetted. Will invite Katie Evans, Communication Coordinator to a future meeting.

b. Christmas masses?

No discussion on any mass time changes.

c. Misc.

8. Closing Prayer

Fr. Ray