

PASTORAL PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

September 27, 2022

Present: Fr. John, Fr. Christian, Van Ziegler, Dan Fritch, Pam Freyberger, Lynn Scheu, Tracie Ihle, Dave Kramer, Luke Messmer, Maggie Schneider, Kathy Schneider, Tim Bell and Jason Nord

Absent: Fr. Homero, Ben Schwenk, Dave Kramer

The 7:00 pm meeting was called to order by Van Ziegler.

Opening Prayer – Fr John led us in prayer.

Parish Council member update: The Parish Council welcomed Irma Alanis as the Latino Commission Representative.

Lynn Scheu made a motion to approve the August 2022 Parish Council minutes. Dan Fritch seconded the motion. All were in favor of approval.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Coffee & Conversation

- a. Will continue to with 1x/month on the 2nd Sunday
- b. Dave and Kathy to contact teams who were hosting pre-covid to begin hosting again
- c. Van to contact commission leaders to find volunteer to lead commission designated Sunday
- d. Irma to coordinate an added time to be after Latino mass on 2nd Sunday of month
- e. Plans to continue at parish center after 9:30 mass on 12/11

2. Office & Personnel Update

- a. Changed job description to English preferred and Spanish optional
- b. Interviews to start approximately week of October 10
- c. Would consider an individual from Latino community to work part-time

3. Mass Time Change

- a. Set to change 1st weekend in November
- b. Mass will be recorded again on Sundays during 9 am mass instead of Saturday evening mass

4. Move from Kundek Hall to Church

- a. Sacristy is finished and cleaning will be arranged
- b. Fr. John to find an individual to organize and head the move

5. Handling of Transient Individuals

- a. JPD reports not a high volume
- b. No cash given
- c. Vouchers for hotel room and food given by JPD then use a fund to reimburse business where vouchers used

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Liturgical Ministry and Commission Classification

- a. Fr. John reports all mass related groups should be kept under Liturgical Commission
 - i. Lector
 - ii. Server
 - iii. Usher
 - iv. Eucharistic Minister
 - v. Choir & Cantor
 - vi. Sacristan
 - vii. Decorators

2. Welcoming New Parishioners to Parish

- a. Members to re-register
- b. Check ability to register online as parishioner
- c. Add new member section in bulletin

- d. Send welcome letters to new members
 - e. Assemble bags to distribute to new members (bulletin, ministry sheet, commission explanation, history of church, choir CD, St. Joe's swag)
 - f. Tammy continuing to work on guidebook
- 3. New Altar Dedication to be planned by Parish Council – December 10**
- a. Fr. John reports 300-400 people are expected
 - b. All commissions need to be incorporated
 - c. Van to set up group to plan
- 4. Blood Drive**
- a. Fr. John to set up the Sunday drives for the year
 - b. Versiti vs American Red Cross

COMMISSION REPORTS:

FINANCE: *Dan Fritch*

- Finance report is out
- No meeting was held in September

PARISH SPIRITUAL LIFE: *Tracie Ihle*

- Adoration will be taking place 1x/month, times TBD

EVANGELIZATION & OUTREACH: *Lynn Scheu*

- Right to Life Month is October
 - Pink and Blue flags in shape of heart by rectory
 - 40 Days for Life rally outside Evansville Planned Parenthood
- Matrix Crisis Pregnancy Center moving forward – Banquet on 10/23
- America Needs Fatima – Nationwide rosary on Saturday, October 15 @ noon on east side of rectory
- Angel Tree letters out with distribution Friday, December 9 evening
- 1 RCIA candidate
- 8 children being baptized through early release program

PARISH COMMUNITY LIFE: *Kathy Schneider sub for Dave Kramer*

- Senior citizen dinner 10/23 @ 11 – will be drive through
- Thank you, Fr. Christian, for going to nursing homes
- Bereavement committee now 5 teams

LATINO: *Irma Alanis*

- Retreat at Holy Rosary
- Rosary for Guadalupe festivity being planned – should be at St. Joe's this year

** Fr. John announcement on Guidebook. Would like mission statements from all commissions, what commissions do, what activities commissions hold, and who the chair of each commission is to contact. Fr. John wants this emailed to him (jbrosmer@evdio.org). An updated strategic plan will be emailed to all members.

SUCCESS STORIES/OTHER BUSINESS

- Red Bird Ministries is starting to support people who have lost children – 1st meeting 10/10

Closing Prayer: Fr. John led us in prayer.

The next meeting will be **Monday, October 24, 2022 at 7:00 pm** in Room 303.

2022 PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS: OCTOBER 24th, NOVEMBER 29th, DECEMBER 27th.

Submitted by: Maggie Schneider