

Parish Pastoral Council Zoom Meeting Minutes

February 18, 2001

In Attendance: Larry Day, Fr. Jim Fenstermaker, C.S.C., Matthew Insley, Beverly Kingston, John-Paul Lichon, Jane Murphy, Fr. Vincent Nguyen, C.S.C., Ruth Sanford, Debbie Stockwell.

Not Present: Kris Robinson.

Opening Prayer

Reflection on Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18. In following the words of Jesus not to seek admiration of others for righteous deeds, but only from the Father in heaven, we agreed that we should call on the Holy Spirit for help with this.

Beverly Kingston reported on the activity on our **website**, which she manages. Started in 2018, It has been very active, with many visitors to its pages. Our Facebook pages also have many members.

- Beverly hopes to get a calendar of events put on the website soon.
- We also hope to have a survey on either the website or Facebook page, in order to get feedback on its helpfulness. The answers would link to Fr. Jim and to Beverly.
- Before too long, we hope to have an update to the website to improve the aesthetic.
- Agreement that the website was easy to navigate.
- Fr. Jim has a drone video on the church he would like to put up.
- Beverly needs to check out diocesan contract in order to see what we can and cannot do with website

Community Building

- We need a "Welcome" ministry. See if any parishioners are willing to take this on. Kathy could let group know when new families register. The Welcome Team could invite them for dinner or dessert.
- We also have discussed a "welcome packet" in the past.

Prioritizing the Pastoral Plan

- We discussed ways to get facilitators ready to become active again.
- Right now, it may be too early because of COVID.
- We don't need to tackle all 9 priorities at once: decide what is most important.
- Neighborhood Engagement and School pastoral priority teams have been having meetings with Fr. Jim.
- Communication pastoral priority team still active.

Attach to newsletter – both digitally and paper –

- Ask parishioners: What do you miss the most?

Community Building & Pastoral Care → Rebuilding/Revitalizing Parish

- General agreement that these are the main priorities
- As soon as allowed by the state, begin weekly coffee and donuts after Mass.
- Host dinners for up to 8 families at a time.
- ENCOUNTER – Pope Francis talks a lot about encounter. Read what he says.

Eventually = reach out to members of all 9 pastoral priority teams. Talk with Facilitators. See who's still interested.

- New Parish Pastoral Council members for next year need to be committed to Community Building and Pastoral Care.
- Those already doing something in the parish should be encouraged to continue -asked if they need more help.
- All members of Parish Pastoral Council should be active with Community Building and Pastoral Care.
- We should keep chatting up ideas - opening the door to see if someone wants to jump in and work for the parish in some capacity

Council members discussed that the Parish Pastoral Plan was made three years ago. The world and the parish were very different then. We can't try to force the plan to work in our new reality.

Spiritual Renewal – can be part of Pastoral Care

Encounter should include re-connecting with one another

Strategy – Try to do something in a virtual world?

Fr. Jim: Really pleased at what we've been able to offer the parish during Advent and Lent.

- Hopefully the parishioners have seen what we're offering:
- Our parish really has been active

August/September – Courtyard: Events that bring the parish together

Encounter:

- Blossoming
- Growing in relationships

Good of the parish

- Fr. Vincent's mic not working well. Might need to use Fr. Jim's mic for awhile
- We will meet again the 3rd Thursday in March
- We are open to meeting in April as well