

REPORT – PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, September 12, 2017 – 7:00PM

In Attendance: Patrick Manning, Steve Fournier, Angie Reynolds, Chery Lutz and Dan Wierzbowski – Members; Susan Bonner – President and Father Charlie Garza – Pastor.

Opening Prayer –The Team said the **Building to Heal** prayer together.

Minutes adopted from August 24, 2017 meeting as written.

Reports

- Virtual/Suggestion Box Comments – Susan / Angie
 - None received since last meeting

- Capital Campaign – Update
 - \$3,166,710 in pledges committed
 - \$1,430,696 in pledges collected
 - \$1.8 Million needed to break ground
 - Still tracking for a Dec/Jan ground breaking
 - Sense of urgency is even greater as both Sunday 11am and 5pm Masses have been in an overflow capacity lately
 - Faith Formation classes are at maximum capacity and losing some children due to inability to accommodate their required time slot
 - Godly Play currently has a wait list (12 per class max – 3 classes)
 - Office space not available for Fr. Melesio or Seminarian Kyle
 - Plans underway to create a children’s choir for Sunday 8:15am (singing 1x month) which may favorably impact attendance at that Mass

- Building Update – Update
 - Construction drawings at 95%, targeting Oct for completion
 - City sewer line questions still pending
 - Financial update to the parish postponed due to hurricanes (push backed 2 weeks)
 - Will bid out project when 100% of drawings are completed

- Offertory Videos – 8/26-27, 9/2-3, 9/9-10 – Follow up
 - Third offertory video (Faith Formation) – postponed but will be done in concert with Financial update to parish
 - Overall, feedback very positive on the offertory videos

- Encountering Jesus – Follow up
 - Continuing through Oct. 11 and will then segue into Healing the Whole Person
 - Adapting the check-in process for this week’s session to minimize delays in starting

- Encountering Jesus will be offered on an annual basis at SMdP for first time attendees
- The email push (including the brochure) by Ministry Leaders was effective

Old Business

- Ministry Leader Newsletter – “Ministry Mentor” -- Main Points for September Newsletter
 - Release goal is Sept. 30
 - Promote Building to Heal Campaign to members – include scripture quote
 - Agreed on: ***“It’s not how much we give but how much love we put into giving” -- St. Mother Teresa***
 - Announcement of Ministry Bazaar Fundraising Dec. 2/3 weekend
 - Ideas to increase membership at Ministry Fair?
 - Opportunity to remind parishioners what our Mission is
 - Consider a bulletin insert prior to fair date offering brief description of each ministry, time commitment, talents/skills needed, etc.
 - Make it fun...Play the Ministry Match Game
 - Chery to send ideas to Cindy Falbo for consideration
- Discussed developing a Vision statement for SMdP
- PC Leaders Ministry Assignments – do deeper dive next PC meeting

New Business

- Healing the Whole Person Event presented by the JPPII Healing Retreat Center – October 16-19th, 6:30-9:30pm
 - Registration required – Currently 106 are registered
 - Continue to promote this event in the parish
 - Will also promote during the Encountering Jesus event

Announcements

- Financial Presentation to Parish date change – Sept 23/24 weekend
- Next PC meeting, Tuesday, October 10 @ 7:00pm

Closing Prayer – The Team recited the “Glory Be” together

Meeting Concluded at 9:00PM

Respectfully submitted – Chery Lutz