



ST. MARY & ST. JOSEPH PASTORATE PASTORAL COUNCIL

Meeting Notes from April 15, 2021

Attendance

Present: Stephany Ander, Alex Andrews, Arlene Bowyer, Theresa Boyer, Scott Laird, Kathy Perry, Mark Scheller

Ex officio: Fr. Paul Cochran, Fr. Dan Duff, Mario Delgado, Shannon Peycha

Absent: Carmel Brand, Juan Campos, Tomacita Perez

Prayer

Fr. Paul led the council in prayer.

Evangelization Video

A video regarding evangelization entitled, "Do You Love Me?" from the Metanoia Video Series, was viewed by the council at the recommendation of Mark Scheller.

Mass Times at St. Mary

The council approved the finalization of weekend Mass times at St. Mary. Masses will be celebrated on Saturday at 6:00 pm and Sunday at 9:00 am and 1:00 pm (Spanish). Religious education classes will take place from 10:15 – 11:15 am. The new Mass schedule will begin the first weekend in June.

Parishioners at the 6:00 pm Saturday Mass at St. Mary were polled to see if they would like to change to an earlier Mass time. It was clear that parishioners want the Mass time to stay the same.

Parishioners at the 11:00 am Sunday Mass at St. Joseph were polled to see if they would like to change the Mass time to 10:30 am. It was clear that parishioners want the Mass time to stay the same.

Originally it was suggested that the first Sunday morning Mass begin at 9:30 am. However, catechists preferred religious education classes begin as soon as possible so the Mass was changed to 9:00 am.

In addition, it was suggested that the 1:00 pm Spanish Mass begin at 12:30 pm. However, this Mass will remain at 1:00 pm to allow Fr. Paul plenty of travel time between parishes.

While there still is quite a bit of time between the end of religious education class and the start of the 1:00 pm Mass, this does allow time for the RCIC class as well as a possible second session of religious education classes if the need arises due to an increased number of religious education students.

Priest Mass Schedule

Fr. Paul discussed a general schedule for the priests (Fr. Paul, Fr. Dan, Fr. Dominic – St. Mary only) between the parishes. A copy is sent with these minutes.

Special Mass/Liturgy Times

Fr. Paul discussed a tentative schedule of special Mass / Liturgy times for the next year. There are changes to the times compared to last year based on the number in attendance this past year. One example – the Feast of the Immaculate Conception (a holy day of obligation): St. Mary will have one bilingual holy day Mass instead of one Mass in English and one Mass in Spanish; St. Joseph will have one holy day Mass instead of two holy day Masses. A copy is sent with these minutes.

Communion to the Sick, Homebound, Incarcerated

A copy of the diocesan policies for taking communion to the sick and homebound was distributed (a copy is sent with these minutes). This ministry can be done at the discretion of the pastor with diocesan and institution rules followed. This ministry will begin the weekend of Pentecost (May 23, 2021).

Music in Lebanon

A meeting is to be set up with Fr. Paul, Angela Lennox from Lebanon and two music ministers from Frankfort.

Pastorate Vision Planning Survey

Links to the surveys in both English and Spanish are now available on both parish websites. Paper copies will also be available at the weekend Masses and in the parish offices. Please encourage parishioners to take part in this survey. The last day to participate is May 5.

Social Event for Both Parishes

Various ideas for a social event for both parishes were discussed. Some of the ideas included a gathering at Dulls Tree Farm, another movie night at the drive-in with a picnic prior, and a gathering at Camp Cullom north of Frankfort to name a few.

Other Items for Discussion

No other items were discussed.

Next Pastorate Council Meeting

Wednesday, May 26, 2021 at 7:00 pm
St. Mary Catholic Church, Gruber Hall, Frankfort