

JOINT PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**Wednesday, December 11, 2019
Church of the Resurrection– 6:30pm - 8:30pm**

Name	Y or N	Name	Y or N	Name	Y or N
Case, David	Y	LaChapelle, Becky	Y	Riordan, Kevin	Y
Ciaccia, Sandra	Y	LeBeau, Armand	Y	Sriram, Sadhanala Fr.	Y
Diggins, Phyllis	Y	LeBeau, Shannon	N	Thompson, Bill	Y
Dreitlein, Bill	N	Nguyen, Helen	Y	Thompson, Jacky	Y
Gonzalez-Smith, Maria	Y	O’Gara, Tom	N	Volkmar, Keith	Y
Greco, Joe	Y	Parysek, Karen	Y	Walsh, Maura	N
Heyman, George Fr.	Y	Reitz, Cathy	Y	Warner, Mark	Y
LaChapelle, Paul	Y	Reitz, Greg	Y	Walker, Anne-Marie	Y
Alternates					
Aroune, Jim	Y	Anita Raj	N	Mace, Gerald	Y

Meeting called to order: Sandy

Conflict of Interest for Agenda: No conflict of interest was identified for this meeting.

Opening Prayer & Scripture: Prayer led by Mark Warner.

Approval of November, 2019 Minutes: Minutes approved as presented.

Guest Speaker: Bill Wynne

- Bill was one of the facilitators of the Anti-Racism Program that ran for 7 consecutive Wednesdays from October 2 – November 13 at Church of the Assumption and at Church of the Resurrection.
- Reference materials had been e-mailed to PPC members prior to the December 11 meeting.
- Bill presented highlights and feedback from the program including attendance, demographics of attendees, results of participation surveys, facilitator assessments, and priority action steps.
- Closing thoughts from the facilitators is that this is a start in our efforts and reflections and should not be considered that one Anti-Racism program is enough to overcome a long history of racism that is still present today. The recommendations of the facilitators, therefore, are being presented for reflection and actions to the PPC.

Pastor’s Report:

- Father George reported on parish trends in eastern Monroe County. All parishes in this area reported drops in overall attendance, decreases in offerings, median income increases, and an increase of households when October 2018 was compared to October 2019.
- Question – What does the future look like in 5 years? Proactively, how do we not give up on evangelization?
- Suggestion – There is a need to look at increased giving campaign options starting during Lent.
- “Our Sunday Visitor” – This is an increased giving company that has been used by St. John of Rochester successfully twice. Other companies will also be contacted and spoken with.

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Ministry Updates and other concerns:

- Greg Reitz has completed the ministry update list and will send this list to staff and PPC members.
- How do we welcome our parishioners? How do we get more people “in the door”?
 - Additional meetings are needed to discuss this concern. Sandy will schedule this.
 - Adding Amazing Parish discussions to brainstorming sessions is another suggestion.

Items for Bulleting:

- Adding an item in the bulletin encouraging parishioners to invite friends and neighbors to go to mass with them was discussed.

Next Meeting: Monday, January 13, 2020 at COTA at 7pm

Closing Prayer: Mark Warner led this prayer.

Respectively submitted,

**Karen Parysek
Recording Secretary**