

JOINT PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Monday, February 10, 2020

Church of the Resurrection – 7:00pm - 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	N	Sriram, Sadhanala Fr.	N
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	Y	Volkmar, Keith	Y
Greco, Joe	N	Parysek, Karen	N	Walsh, Maura	Y
Heyman, George Fr.	Y	Reitz, Cathy	Y	Warner, Mark	Y
LaChapelle, Paul	Y	Reitz, Greg	Y	Walker, Ann-Marie	Y
<u>Alternates</u>					
Aroune, Jim	N	Anita Raj	Y	Mace, Gerald	Y

Meeting called to order: Sandy Called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

Opening Prayer & Scripture: Prayer led by Phyllis Diggins

Approval Minutes: A revision to the January minutes was requested. Changes to the Brainstorming bullet about new parishioner “baskets” was discussed and that change will be made in the revised January minutes submitted. The January minutes were then approved as amended.

Video Tech Ministry : Jerry Mace brought up the issue of the CASE online training and its buddy rule system with regard to the Video Tech Ministry. The ministry typically only needs two video techs and during some masses one of the techs may be a minor. One of the CASE rules state that there cannot be one adult alone in a room with one minor. There can be one adult and two minors, but the ministry does not need three videotechs to tape a mass. Adam Jablonski is looking into this issue. Father George advised Jerry to speak with Karen Reinford (spelling?) at the Diocese office.

Clergy Abuse Situation: Alan Carroll and PPC members opened a discussion about this issue.

- We need to talk about it and discuss the situation in order to heal. We should not hide from it. Where do we go from here? What is the next step?
- They would like the PPC’s approval to host an open forum where all perspectives would be discussed. There would be full transparency. Goal is to have a respectful discussion.
- They would figure out the logistics when it come to time, place, agenda and what will occur. It would be ideal to have this event occur during the Lenten season.
- Have someone from the Diocese (Father George, a deacon) or an expert at the meeting who can clear any misconceptions.

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Pastor's Report:

- The Church of the Assumption parish has hired a company to facilitate an Increased Giving Campaign in March.
- Father George will speak about the idea of commitment and how giving more money to meet the budget and run our programs shows our commitment to the church and its mission.
- A lay person will speak about why his/her faith and the parish is important to his/her.
- Lowered attendance and collection are significant issues that face the parish.

Brainstorming: Welcoming People Into the Door and Increasing More People (Holistic Approach)

- Open House to bring new people in: Pancake breakfast, donuts, etc.
- Greeters to welcome people: Say hello to people who come to a church so that they feel good and feel joy.
- Bring a friend Sunday
- Variety of Programs for all ages: Young Adult Ministry, Depression group, Family group, Spiritual group, Social ministry, Service/ Volunteer ministries.
- Events for all ages and families
- Need to clarify any misconceptions about the "establishment": Everyone is welcome. We are a loving and forgiving church.
- How do we make this happen? This will continue to be discussed at future meetings.

Resurrection Church Concern: There are concerns about the need for a railing on BOTH sides of the altar rather than just one side. This will help decrease the chance of falling and increase overall safety for Eucharistic ministers and others. Greg Reitz will speak with the appropriate person about this issue.

Next Meeting: Monday, March 9, 2020 at Church of the Assumption from 7:00 – 8:30 pm

Closing Prayer: Phyllis Diggins led this prayer.

Respectively submitted,

Helen Nguyen / Karen Parysek
Recording Secretary