

Parish Council Minutes Summary September 24, 2020

Attendance: Fr. Tom, Deacon Frank, Deacon Gary, Jacob Visovatti, Joseph Adams, Emily Shurtliff, Bridget Galbraith, John Dejak, Kurt Hiester, John LaRock, Marie Skrobola

1. Opening Prayer/Comments: This is our first meeting of the year, since the Coronavirus Pandemic -Fr Tom
2. Old Business: Recent Graces
 1. The response to the St. Pio relics was positive
 2. Parish met the DSA goal
3. Realign Resources for Mission Initiative
 1. Opportunity to provide feedback to the diocese about the realignment project
 1. Project may involve some combination of parishes, restructuring of priest assignments, etc.
 2. St. Patrick's meeting time is **November 18, 7-8:30 PM**, at the parish hall
4. EF Mass at St Thomas and attendance
 1. St Thomas has a weekly EF mass at 11:00am in Ann Arbor, discussion surrounding what kind of response, if any, should be made.
 1. It may be prudent to wait and see how this new mass affects our own attendance and participation. It is likely that there will be some "shifting" of parishioners regardless.
 2. What percentage of the 12:30 mass attendees are actually from our parish? There are some folks who intend to "split time" but there is concern how long that will realistically last?
 3. The goal is not to compete with St. Thomas, but to enhance the opportunities available to our parishioners at OSP
 4. Programs within the parish but apart from the liturgy designed to build community will strengthen the parish.
5. 10:30am Sunday Mass Proposals
 1. At some point the weather will likely force the 10:30 mass to move back inside
 2. Adding Latin to the OF mass at the Introit or during the Offetory may add to the reverence of the liturgy. More singing the mass by priest.
6. Council Membership Terms Expiring
 1. Several members have serve the full 3 year term. Plan to replace 2 members towards the end of the school year and then begin rotating members out to stagger turnover.
7. Exciting Future Events
 1. 40 hr devotion Nov 20-22 Speaker will be Marcus Peter
 2. Parish pilgrimage to Poland in Aug 2021
8. Closing Prayer – Dcn Gary
9. Next meeting tentatively scheduled for January 14.