

Meeting Summary

Date of Meeting: December 11, 2019

Meeting: SLDM Parish Council Meeting

Scribe: Louie Jorczak

Attendees: Father Pat, Father Travis, Pat Clarke, Louie Jorczak, Jamie Anderson, Chris Harper, Scot Boutcher, Chad Greene, Jeff Grasser.

Absent: Jeff Oelker, Alan Lessard, Mark Mader, Steve Schwegman, Chad Melloh.

Agenda Items:

1. Opening Prayer:

- Father Travis led the Council in opening prayer.

2. Ministry Liaisons:

- No reports from ministry liaisons.

3. Parish Council Name Tags Provided to Council Members

4. No Report on the Parish Priority Plan this month (Jeff Oelker absent).

5. January all-day staff meeting — this meeting will take the place of the Parish Council meeting for January. The meeting date was TBD at the time of the Council meeting, but since then has been fixed for January 15, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (mass beginning at 8 a.m.).

6. Pre-School

- Mardi de Montfort will conduct fund-raising for the pre-school.
- Father Pat has been getting a sense of what it is going to cost to convert the rectory into the preschool. Insurance issues are being addressed, as well as other maintenance questions.
- House search for the new priest is put on hold until more information is available.

7. Father Travis Doctorate – congratulations are in order for Father Travis who is receiving his doctorate. He will be teaching a class at Marion College.

8. Best wishes to Chris Harper – Chris notified the Council that he will be leaving the parish to move to South Bend. The council thanked Chris for his

dedication to the Church and for his wise counsel throughout his tenure.
Best wishes to Chris and his family.

9. Open Forum

- Father Pat indicated how much he appreciates name-tag Sunday and that it has been a great success. The Council concurred.
- An idea was presented that the parish should have a bring-a-visitor-to-mass day.
- The Alpha program was noted to be a great success so far.
- Discussion was held about the stewardship gathering – potentially doing it earlier in January. Nothing was resolved.
- Discussion was held regarding the future of Fruitful Harvest. Nothing was resolved.

10. Closing prayer:

- The Council concluded its meeting with prayer.

Next Meeting – No Regular Meeting – all-staff retreat is scheduled for January 15, 2020 at 9 AM (mass begins at 8:00 AM) – all Parish Council members are invited.