

## St. Francis of Assisi Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes: February 4, 2020

**Attending:** *Ayo Adesanya, Bob Crawford, Kevin Dunleavy, Tim Feran, Mark Fullerton, Debora Lipetz, Gretchen Rivera, Tom Scheid, Fr. Valcin, Fr. Charles (guest)*

### **Updates on Leadership Team, Councils and Committees, Ministries**

1. Leadership Team Update: Discussion on plans to discontinue Saturday Masses. Discussion on efforts Leadership Team is undertaking to identify possible new members for Pastoral Council. Councils and Leadership Team joint meeting—holding May 5 for meeting date.

### **Old Business**

1. Planning for Lenten Soup Supper

Review and approval of announcements to go into the Bulletin. Summary of presentation topics was finalized and ready for Bulletin and website posting. It was noted that sign-ups for bringing soup and bread are looking pretty good at this point. There was also discussion on whether Pastoral Council should continue to take the lead in organizing Lenten Soup Suppers. It was noted that other Committees may wish to take this on in future years, and there was discussion on possible ways to explore that possibility.

2. Pastoral Council Vacancies

Four members of Pastoral Council are finishing their terms in March, 2020. There are two current vacancies, so we need to add 6 new members to start in April. Following discussion, a timeline of activities was agreed upon. The plan includes assignments for developing talking points for the Bulletin, Mass announcements, and presentations at Hospitality Sunday. There was also discussion regarding possible changes in the operation of Pastoral Council in the coming year.

### **New Business**

1. Parish Mission

Research on mission projects in other parishes is being completed, and recommendations will be prepared at the March meeting. The objective is to provide Leadership team with recommended options for a SFA mission, and then organize a work group of parishioners who want to develop a detailed plan.

2. Re-designation of Bathrooms

A parishioner has suggested that we designate each bathroom in the Parish Hall as being available for use by anyone regardless of gender. There was discussion on the merits of doing this, what would be required, and next steps needed to determine feasibility.

*Next Meeting Date: March 3, 2020*