

Parish of the Holy Eucharist
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POTHE February 21, 2019 Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

TYPE OF MEETING	Pastoral Council Meeting
CHAIRPERSON	Francis Fedrizzi
NOTE TAKER	Annemarie Salzberg
ATTENDEES	<p>Present: Tom Ancona, Francis Fedrizzi, Catherine Gentile, Fr. Daniel Greenleaf, Arturo Juarez, Fr. Peter Kaseta, Sharon Leskanic, Deacon Dennis Popadak, Ken Rusinek, Annemarie Salzberg, and Danielle Tracy</p> <p>Absent: Pauline Bergeron, Amy Carman, Kristine Rogers, and Mike Crowley.</p> <p>Guest: Elizabeth Rosquete</p>

1. Gospel Reflection - Fr. Greenleaf

a. Gospel reading according to Luke (6:27-38) was read by Sharon Leskanic and members of the council shared reflections on this gospel passage.

2. Approval of the January 17, 2019 Minutes

a. A motion to approve the January 2019 minutes was seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved with the following corrections: #5d Advent should read Lent and the location of the next meeting should have read Holy Martyrs instead of Sacred Heart.

3. Adoration Program – Elizabeth Rosquete

Elizabeth Rosquete is the Adoration Coordinator for the parish. Elizabeth spoke about a conference on Adoration that provided a lot of helpful information. Elizabeth has updated the guidelines for adorers and updated the adoration schedule (including substitutes) for Holy Martyrs. Elizabeth sends out weekly POTHE Notes to adorers and subs including quotes and short videos and any updates for the week. Monday, March 11th adoration times will be adjusted due to the first day of the parish mission retreat. Elizabeth is in the process of developing information on the meditation of prayer, for adorers to use especially during the parish mission dates. Elizabeth is also looking for ways to increase parishioner participation in the Adoration Program. Elizabeth has dedicated certain holy hours during adoration for priests (12:00) and the sick (3:00). Both of these dedicated hours need more promotion. Elizabeth is working to update the information on adoration on parish website. Elizabeth will continue to work toward increasing the number of people participating, the hours of adoration and the number of worship sites with adoration hours. The

Council had a discussion about the ways to increase options for adoration during Lent this year. Efforts will be made to educate parishioners on what adoration is and how parishioners may participate.

4. Pastor's Report – Fr. Greenleaf

- a. **Phishing emails, some parishioners have received, requesting gift cards, is a scam. Parishioners need to know this is a scam. Father Daniel will never ask for gift cards or money by email.**
- b. Monthly Financial Statement – the Council reviewed the preliminary finance report as of December 31, 2018. Parishioners have responded to the request for increased offertory donations.
- c. New Altar from Sisters of the Precious Blood – DICON (Diocese of Portland's construction company) will move the altar to Sacred Heart. The Chancellery will cover the costs of moving the altar over the amount of \$36,00.00 (\$30,000.00 a donation from a parishioner to move the altar and \$6,000.00 allocated for floor repair around the altar). The altar is to be moved as soon as possible.
- d. Capital Campaign – the capital campaign will focus on Saint Jude and Sacred Heart. All parishioners will be welcome to donate to the capital campaign.
- e. New Awakenings (in development) – Kim Lovett will be coordinating The New Awakenings Program, a Paulist Program, bringing Catholics back to the Church. Inquiry nights will be held to answer questions & provide information.
- f. Lenten Small Groups – POTHE Staff have completed videos for Lent Small Group Sharing this year.
- g. Parish Mission Retreat – the Parish Lenten Mission begins on Monday, March 11th with Father Steve Bell. The mission will continue on Tuesday, and Wednesday of that week with a morning and evening session, each day. Parish meetings will not be held during the 3 days of the mission. The mission sessions will be live streamed on the Parish Facebook page.
- h. Lenten Program – complete Lenten Program details will be published in the Parish Bulletin.
- i. **Data System Clean Up - an effort will be made to identify parishioners' primary worship site. This information will be important for the Capital Campaign efforts. One upcoming weekend, parishioners will be asked to provide their name and primary Church.**

- j. Transforming the Parish Through New Media is a new book Fr, Greenleaf is reading. The book talks about new ways people are gathering in the digital age. Fr. Greenleaf is considering efforts, going forward, to incorporate some of the ideas from this book into parish activities like faith formation, parish generated videos, invitations to the join the parish community. Considerations will be made for those parishioners who do not have access to the internet. More information will be forth coming on this topic.**

5. CLI Update - Deacon Dennis

- a. The 4 banners with the CLI goals are up at all the worship sites. Home kits have been developed. Currently, there are 28 small faith sharing groups. Parishioners participating in other Church sponsored groups will be invited to join small faith sharing groups. The Bible display has been successful with 100 Bibles being sold. Leadership teams, at all the worship sites, will begin to focus on ways to enhance the liturgies.**

8. Pastoral Business - Fran Fedrizzi

- a. Budget Committee – Fran Fedrizzi, Danielle Tracy, and Sharon met with the Finance Committee Meeting as liaisons for the Pastoral Council. They plan to continue attending the Finance Committee Meetings as the budget is developed.**

No Pastoral Council Meeting for the month of March

Next Meeting Tuesday, April 23, 2019 at St. Gregory at 6:00pm

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