



St. Lawrence Martyr Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes – August 12, 2019

In attendance: Fr. Paul Dotson, Fr. Joseph Iannuzzi, Deacon Jim Egnatuk, Deacon Dale Sheckler, John Sabol, Scott Dominguez, Gail Marcone, Gloria Bazis, Rick Martin, Ro Rizzo, Diane Krause, Joey Graziano, Yvonne Chavez,

Not in attendance: Deacon Don Burt, Richard Meyette, Doug Ness, Phil Fuentes (SLM PTO Representative)

Meeting Chaired By: John Sabol

Opening Prayer, Moment of Silence, Reflection – John Sabol

Approval of Minutes from May 13, 2019 Meeting – Approved with change- change Fr. Clarke to Bishop Clark

SLM Strategic Plan

- **Review June 10th Town Hall Meeting-** most of the questions were answered that night by Fr. Paul, Eve, or Virginia. Overall, it was effective and don't see a need to change the format too much going forward. Possibly could take a picture and post it after the event.
- **Discussion on Strategic Plan action items + next steps:** there has been a noticeable influx of new families scoping out parishes. Maybe pursuing vamping up our hospitality and welcome ministries this may help. Possibly a quarterly mixer inviting new families and existing parishioners? As far as re-training ushers, when we re-open the church this may be the perfect time. Is there an option to also allow more non-parent parishioners volunteer with the school? We will know more after next PTO meeting. Gail to work on once a month Ministry Spotlight to start in September.

School Representative Update

- Tuesday Aug 27th – 1st day of school
- Tuesday Sep 10th – PTO meeting 7-8PM
- Wednesday Sep 11th – TK-5th Back to school night 6-8PM
- Thursday Sep 12th – 6-8th Back to school night 6-8PM

- Catholic Schools Week begins on Sunday January 26th with mass at 11AM followed by the School Open House from 12:15 – 2:00PM. We will have a ministry fair on Sunday the 15th as well as Sunday, January 26th. For the September ministry fair we will order donuts.

Continuing Business & Actions

- **Marriage Enrichment-** Still running announcements for marriage encounter weekends. World Marriage Week is Feb 7-14th and World Marriage Sunday is February 9th. We will schedule the mass and reception for Friday, February 14th. We can send a bulletin announcements to other parishes. Can also promote convalidation leading up to this week.
- **Water Fountain at School-** The school has done their research and submitted the proposal for the water fountain. Fr. Paul has this.

Announcements and Comments

- **Pastoral Council Workshop-** (September 21st) This is different than the one that we talked about in May. Do not think this is worth the travel.

New Business/Identification of Parish-Wide Needs

- **Donuts after mass-** (from Richard) Some parishioners have asked about donuts and the possibility of having donuts after Mass. I know we have discussed the logistics of it, but perhaps bring it up again because some people have commented being in the hall closer together has contributed to the sense of community. Donuts continues that sense of community after Mass.
 - Donuts will be discussed again after the church opens
- **F.A.I.T.H. Ministry Tea-** Tea will be on Sunday, Sept 15th at 3:00pm. Will have the director of Two Wings speak, and proceeds will go toward this organization.
- **Angel Gowns-** (Didi Egnatuk) Angel gowns of South Bay make burial gowns for babies and are very excited that we will be participating. It is open to any parishioner who would like to join. Meeting once a month for 3 hours and work on dresses- not to completion because the organization completes them. They work with Torrance Memorial and two other hospitals. This should be starting in September, but need to work out what day.
- **Open Arms Ministry-** (Didi Egnatuk) This ministry services that elderly, has had 2 referrals so far. They meet once a month. Ministers must be 21 and older. Melody and Gary Meyer are going once a week to a woman at the Huntington. The second is a parishioner who is on hospice who has had a visit already. Fr. Paul had a great experience with Knights of Malta who have picked up on Whole Person Care and they hosted a lecture where they praised our parish for Open Arms.

Fr. Paul's Time-

- **Parking-** We purchased the golf cart with the help of the men's referral group. Erika has been driving it on Saturday night and Sunday morning to drive it
- **Construction-** The cages on the Bell Towers are leaning and may need to be replaced. It won't hold up the church, but we need to get it done- this is about

\$100,000 that we did not plan for. The bells will go back up when we do this, but city does need to look at this. We are about a week behind because of permits. We also finally have the floor figured out and there will be no carpet. There are no plans for the re-opening at this time. There are time-lapse videos that are updated on the website.

- **Joey is leaving-** He is leaving for college and this is his last meeting. He will be attending Chapman in the Fall.

Next Meeting: September 9, 2019: Prayer Host – Rick Martin

Closing Prayer: John Sabol

Minutes respectfully submitted by Diane Krause & Ro Rizzo, Co-Secretaries.

Approved by: _____
Rev. Paul Dotson, Pastor

Approved by: _____

John Sabol, Moderator

**2019 SLM Parish Pastoral Council
Prayer Meeting Hosts**

Meeting on the Second Monday of the Month – 7 pm

PC Council Meeting Date	Host
September 9, 2019	Rick
October 14, 2019	Ro
November 11, 2019	Diane
December 9, 2019	John

Updated 12/9/18