



St. Lawrence Martyr Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes – May 13, 2019

In attendance: Fr. Paul Dotson, Deacon Jim Egnatuk, Scott Dominguez, Gloria Bazis, Rick Martin, Ro Rizzo, Richard Meyette, Diane Krause, Phil Fuentes (SLM PTO Representative)

Not in attendance: Joey Graziano, Doug Ness, Gail Marcone, Yvonne Chavez, John Sabol, Deacon Don Burt, Deacon Dale Sheckler, Fr. Pat Torres,

Meeting Chaired By: Scott Dominguez

Opening Prayer, Moment of Silence, Reflection – Richard Meyette

Approval of Minutes from April 8, 2019 Meeting – Minutes Approved

SLM Strategic Plan

- **Ministry Survey Update-** *From John:* Status- The project is completed except for follow up on a few ministries that did not respond and elimination of some duplication. We also discussed ways to highlight different ministries at St. Lawrence. We agreed to pick a different ministry each month and give a highlight of recent activity to keep the Parish informed and interested in participating. Any suggestions for the next one
- **Ministry Spotlight-** *From Gail:* John & I met with Fr Paul & Virginia Dargen and closed out Ministry Survey project; nothing further on this project. However, we agreed to do a “Ministry Spotlight” in Bulletin & I will explore this when I return.

School Representative Update

- **Spring Concert-** Is on Wednesday, May 15th at 5:30pm down on the field. Will be picnic style with baked goods. Fr. Paul will give a blessing at the start.
- **PTO Social Gathering-** This is happening 5/21. Don't forget to RSVP! PTO will be in rectory by 6:30pm following a brief 6:00pm meeting.
- **Family Dance-** June 1st there will be a family mass at 5pm followed by a family dance until about 9pm. There will be a DJ, will ask people to bring their own food and refreshments to share. This will be the last major event before the renovations.

- **Open House/Ministry Fair Pairing-** Something that we would really like to explore next year. PTO board did like this idea, but timing would be an issue. Council is open to moving one of the ministry fairs to match the open house. Will most likely be January 26th, 2020.

Continuing Business & Actions

- **Marriage Enrichment-** No update at this time.
- **Water Fountain at School-** Scott gave Fr. Paul the proposal that was vetted for review. School not too keen on this particular plumber. Scott to get the information on who did the rectory from Virginia so that he can get a new proposal from him.
- **School PTO/Pastoral Council Gathering-** see above notes
- **Town Hall Meeting- *From Gail:*** Scheduled for Monday, June 10th in place of meeting. I have prepared a bulletin announcement to publicize Town Hall & this will be in bulletin beginning mid-May. Also working on a PowerPoint for Town Hall to review progress on Strategic Plan.
From John: A rep from each ministry will be requested to attend. Plan is to update the activity from the Strategic Plan & have Q&A from the audience. Need to review the Draft Strategic Plan document & add all updates from each members perspective so we don't miss any.
 - Per Fr. Paul the PowerPoint looks complete. Best to keep it simple.

Announcements and Comments

- **Pastoral Council Workshop-** (May 18th and November 9th) *From John-* Mark Fischer sent John an email letting him know Fr Clarke asked him to lead two workshops for pastors and parish pastoral councils. They will take place on May 18 and November 9 at Notre Dame High School in Sherman Oaks. The May 18 workshop is designed for pastors and new council members. The November 9 workshop is for experienced pastors and councils. Would the St. Lawrence council be interested in registering for the workshop? Workshop participants will receive the ADLA's new guidelines for councils. As the first new guidelines in over twenty years, they emphasize the role of the council members as consultants. Pastors consult them because they seek wise and prudent advice. Keep the November date open
 - Per Fr. Paul this is not necessary unless anyone feels very strongly about going.
- **Review of Get-On-The-Bus Event (May 10th)-** We had the event on Friday. Core team left at 1:30am and the families arrived at about 2:15am. Core team provides breakfast and necessities and bus departed to Chowchilla around 3am. 12 children and 2 adult children were in attendance along with 6 adult caregivers and 3 volunteers. This time we had about 23 people on the bus and did not need to share the bus with any other parish. Returned home at about 8:30pm. Need more volunteers for next year.
- **Walk for life-** This Saturday at Veteran's Park at about 9:00am for the Pregnancy Help Center.

New Business/Identification of Parish-Wide Needs

- Nothing new at this time.

Fr. Paul's Time-

- **Fr. Serra Statue:** A family in Moorpark went and took a photo of the new Fr. Serra statue mold. Should be ready next month sometime. Will have a blessing of the cross and the statue but not together. Fr. Serra's will possibly near his feast day July 1st.
- **This weekend** is a busy weekend. Last of first communions and then confirmations on 5:00pm.
- **Golf Cart** is working out well. Erika Esquivel is also driving the cart.
- **Capital Campaign-** There was some confusion. The person who was supposed to be communicating with us from the diocese was not doing so. Randy Steiner who is the CFO and the head of construction met with Fr. Paul and signed off/pushed everything through. Contractor cannot start until the city pushed the permits through but should be ready to start by June 14th. We have decided to get new pews because when the cushions come off they would wreck it- but the new pews will be ergonomic with no arm rest and made out of beechwood. They will stage the pews on the other side of the rectory which will not affect parking because mass will be going on in the hall. Currently have solid plans for floor, lights, statues. Hoping to have it all completed by October. Will be sharing updates in the bulletin. Virginia can send something out via FlockNote for tearing down and setting up chairs at masses.
- **Staff Changes:** Caterina will only do RCIA and Adult Confirmation and Susan Mills will do Religious Ed. Chris is going back to school, so Katy and Kasey will take over the Youth Ministry program.
- **Trip to Lourdes** went very well, but was very busy. Went with the Knights of Malta- some of the people they were tending to were very sick. Everyone worked very hard.

Next Meeting: June 10, 2019: Town Hall Meeting

Closing Prayer: Richard Meyette

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
June 10, 2019	TOWN HALL
JULY	NO MEETING
August 12, 2019	Doug
September 9, 2019	Rick
October 14, 2019	Ro
November 11, 2019	Diane
December 9, 2019	John

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