

SAINT MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

November 4, 2019

Attendees: Father Kottar, Deacon James Trombley, Sharon Burkhardt, Mary Borchert, Ramiro Castro, Morgan Miskell, John Reuscher, Eloisa Amaya, Terry Seen.

Excused: Maira Avalos,

Meeting began at 7:02 pm with the Liturgy of the Hours.

Old Business

- August Minutes were read, corrected and approved.
- International Festival- was a success, with a profit of over \$5,000 and more than 70 parishioners volunteering to help.
- Partner Parish in Haiti- Fr. Joseph, the pastor of the parish, sent information about the costs for several programs. For \$265, a school-aged child will receive a uniform, backpack and school fees for a year (Sept.-June). For \$50, an elderly person will receive toiletries and staples (rice, beans, flour). The Council discussed various fundraisers, and will investigate further.

New Business

- Community Outreach- The Council discussed several local charitable organizations in need. Will investigate further.
- Christmas Preparations- Council discussed preparing the church for Christmas.
- 2020 Raffle- Raffle tickets will be \$20 each this year. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Partner Parish in Haiti.
- Hispanic Ministry –
 - Several parishioners attended an Adult Faith Formation Class and explored individual gifts/talents and how to better participate in the church community.
 - The Society of Guadalupano encourages the devotion to Mary, and has about 30 members in our parish.
 - A Ministry Fair is occurring each Sunday, with one Ministry presenting an exhibit each week. Eleven Ministries in total will have presentations.
 - The Hispanic Ministry is currently preparing for the Posadas for Christmas, and the Three Kings Festival. There will be an Angel Tree for the Three Kings gifts.
- Next Pastoral Council Meetings are scheduled for Feb.3, 2020, May 4, 2020 and Aug. 3, 2020.
- Closing Prayer at 8:39 pm.