

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, May 13th, 6:30 pm

Attendees: Father Dan Corrou, Stephen Alfieri, Kathleen Cagnina, Karen DeMasi, Patrick Egan, Michelle Jung, John Karle, Charles Mileski, Catherine O'Hagan Wolfe, Jack Schmitt, Ron Oberdick

1. Opening Prayer: Michelle Jung

2. Pastor's Report:

*Capital Campaign – Fr. Dan continues his discussions with Archdiocese representatives on the Renew and Rebuild Capital Campaign

*Security – Safety Officer scheduled for all the Sunday masses. An MSW (Social Worker) runs it and they focus on de-escalation, conflict reduction and resolution. We keep mindful to be welcoming. Xavier Mission working with them to close certain doors, monitor certain times. NYPD has house of worship duty too

*Other – In the midst of clarifying staff job descriptions so Ken and John have a seamless, streamlined flow

3. Update on Racism Program –

*Catherine Wolfe, Ed Poliandro, Boreta Singleton, and Ann Harris-Jacobs recently attended Fordham to hear Prof. Craig Ford speak about race relations in the Catholic Church

*Xavier prepared to implement programs this summer. For instance, book group reading Fr. Massingale's book on Racial Justice

*PC Retreat – Members will read chapters from the books "White Fragility" and aforementioned book by Massingale. Several PC members also attended a recent program at St. Charles Borromeo with Fr. Dan on Race and Racism in the Country and Catholic Church. Two other parishes were there. Members who attended thought it was great and Fr. Massingale was tremendous at making sure the conversation went in the right direction

4. Farewell to Fr. Dan/Fr. Ken's Investiture

*PC getting RSVP's for Dan's farewell

*Parish Staff handling details for Investiture

5. Pastoral Council Discernment Process

* Two (2) openings on the Pastoral Council due to two members rotating off (Jack Schmitt and Charlie Mileski)

*PC members will speak after each Mass on the weekend of May 18th-19th

*Discernment meetings scheduled for Monday, June 3rd, and Monday, June 10th.

All are welcome to attend, but those parishioners interested in serving on the Council must be registered at St. Francis Xavier for, at least, two years

6. Update on Spiritual Direction program

- *Meeting yesterday with Elisa Balestra, professional development person. Gave hints on grant funding
- *18 month rotation. \$81k funding needed
- *Third and fourth programs will need more infrastructure for leadership
- *Only 2 of 10 cohorts this year are Xavier parishioners
- *Looking to broaden program in ways that we can assist other parishes on Ignatian spirituality
- *Looking at this along with our Just Faith program, ISEL, and Lay Spirits

7. PC Coffee Hour:

- *Scheduled for May 19th. Ron O. and Charlie will manage it

8. Annual Report of the Chair –

- *Not the year we expected
- *Parishioners looked to the PC for leadership
- *Whole lot more interaction between the PC and many in the pews
- *Every member of the PC stepped up
- *Work of the PC continued
- *Good interaction between the PC and Jesuit Province

9. July Meeting - @ Jack's home

10. Closing Prayer – Michelle Jung