BENEDICTINE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF



Saint Joseph Parish Advisory Council

Wednesday, September 14th 6:00 to 7:30 pm Church of Saint Joseph Heritage Hall

Meeting called by: Steve Meyer Type of meeting: Saint Joseph Meeting

Note taker: Amber Walling

Agenda Items

		Action	Presenter(s)	Time	Notes
				(on	
				clock)	
1.	Welcome		Steve	6:00	Meeting began at 6:03 pm. Guest Brother David Paul Lange visiting as part of coursework at SOT/Seminary. All members of the Advisory Council introduced themselves.
2.	Prayer		Steve	6:05	Steve led the group in prayer.
3.	Agenda & Prior Minutes Review		Steve	6:08	
4.	Discussion Items:			6:10	

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a. Conversatio Update	Information	Marian Bach	6:10	Hannah will be at Saint Joseph—will be introduced in 9.25 bulletin Noah will be at Saint John the Baptist—introduced in 9.11 bulletin
				Full job description for Hannah is being developed. Hoping to have Hannah lead 'Social Sunday' initiative which starts the weekend of 9.25.2022. She will be helping with Catechetical Sunday on 9.18 as a 'soft start' to her internship/position. Her passions include singing and working with youth. She will assist with IGNITE youth gatherings, as well. Hannah will work an average of 8-10 hours with our parish each week. Additional discussion took place surrounding the idea of having youth representatives attend Parish Advisory Council Meetings. Recommendation was made to have a Parish Advisory Council Member attend Confirmation to invite them. ACTION ITEM: Steve & Lance set up a time with Marian to introduce themselves to the Confirmation students and invite them to participate in the Pastoral Advisory Council.
b. Term Dates	Discussion	Steve	6:15	Many terms end on June 30, 2024 – need to review to determine plan of action. Give thought to serving an additional term. Is there another individual who could join the council, as the bylaws allow. ACTION ITEM: Place write-up in bulletin for recruitment – Amber ACTION ITEM: Give thought to additional term – current members.
c. Children's Choir	Discussion	Steve	6:20	Steve spoke with David, Liturgy and Music Director, to determine feasibility of having a Children's Choir within our parish. David's job description currently indicates directing two parish choirs, which he is already doing – Adult & Contemporary Choirs. ACTION ITEM: Add to Joint Council meeting agenda to discuss collaboration with Saint John the Baptist Parish.

d. Joint Council Items	Discussion	Steve	6:30	Review items from 4.7.22 meeting.
				i. Connecting with Saint Joseph Catholic School
				Regularly/Youth Involvement in Liturgy
				1. Opportunity for youth sign-up for
				ministers
				a. Ushers, Greeters, Gift Bearers
				2. Musical Involvement
				3. School Kids Participate in Friday Social
				4. Have a Mass one Sunday a month with
				Youth Participation
				a. Readers, Procession, Servers,
				Hymns, Kid Friendly Homily
				b. Switch off between Saint Joseph
				and Saint John the Baptist
				ii. Providing opportunities for community use of
				parish spaces at our invitation.
				1. Presentations from Various Organizations
				via Invite
				2. Allowing Use of Space for Other
				Organizations
				a. Girl Scouts
				b. Boy Scouts
				3. All are invited to share in all ACC events
				4. Community Meal
				5. Craft Shows
				6. Winter Play
				iii. Plan and Host ACC/Parish Mission
				1. National-Level Speaker – Multi-Night
				Series
				2. Possibly Week-Long Event
				3. Eucharistic Revival
				4. Work to set Date ASAP
				iv. Feature Already-Occurring activities in bulletin
				or prepare an ACC Mission Annual Report
				1. Write-ups in bulletin for programs that
				already exist to inform those who may
				not have participated in past
				2. Powerpoint feed prior to the livestream
				3. Compiling Mailing for all ACC members
				a. Include attendance at programs

b. Number of Quilts Sewn
c. Number of Meals Served
d. Number of Pounds of Food
Donated, etc.
4. SMS Text Messaging to get the word out
for reminders/invites
5. QR Codes
6. Have a Ministry Fair
a. Late-August After Mass
v. On-going Family Night w/Activities for Kids &
Families
Monthly Event for Socializing Only
a. Game Night
b. Movie Night
c. Trivia Night
d. Zoo Trip
e. Farm Visit
f. Apple Orchard
g. Avon Hills Folk School
2. Kids tour the church
a. Up-close look at areas of the
church or holy objects (i.e. Chalice,
tabernacle, etc.)
3. Family Mass
a. Families come around altar at
Eucharistic Prayer
4. Kids Vote on Next Week's Event
vi. Men's Group & Women's Bible/Book Study
1. "That Man Is You"
2. Most of these groups focus around
retired community
a. Have more time to participate in
3. Early Morning Bible Study Groups
vii. Multi-generational Programming
1. Senior Citizen Dinner
a. Held on day off school, so kids can
serve
2. Senior Care Packages
a. Deliver these items as families
3. Kids write cards to seniors in parish
a. Valentines

b. Birthday Cards
4. Board Games
5. Grandparents' Mass
a. Invite grandkids to Mass with
them.
viii. What Does Family Friendly Look Like? Creating
Family Friendly Environment
1. See Family Night Ideas
2. Kids Packets
a. Children's Bulletin
b. Kids Offering
i. "kind works you did this
week"
c. Crayons
d. Stickers
3. Stools in bathroom for washing hands
4. Diapers/Wipes in Bathrooms
5. Knights Stools
6. Quiet Space/Step Away Space
7. Scavenger Hunt Within Parish
a. Hide figurines in plants or around
parish
8. Pew Cards of What Mass is About
9. Everything We Do Should be Family
Friendly
ix. Establishing Youth Ministry Program
1. TEC Weekend
2. Space for teens
3. What does Youth Ministry look like in
2022?
4. Immersing it into the community
a. Youth taking ownership of
programming
5. Conversatio Program
a. Saint John's SOT
x. Personal Invitation/Parish
1. Send out letters to people we haven't
seen in a while and include bulletin.
2. Ticket to KC Breakfast
3. Welcome Kit for New Parishioners
4. Call for Personal Invitation
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e. Increased Sunday Offering Campaign	Information	Amber	6:40	 6-Week campaign will begin on the weekend of November 12/13. Fr. Brad will include in homily week of Nov. 12/13 Parish Witness Speaker the week of Nov. 19/20 Will send out a 'Parish Mission Report' prior to these dates. Suggestions on which areas to highlight? 'We Miss You' (still in the works) postcard to be sent out before the end of September to welcome people back to Mass and discuss new 'Social Sunday.' Wanted an invitation back before we started the campaign, so we are not just focusing on donations. ACTION ITEM: None currently. Amber & Fr. Brad will continue to guide this forward.
f. Parish Mission – Lent 2023	Information	Amber	6:45	Vigil Project will be here from March 5 th to 7 th True Presence Night on Sunday, March 5 th Single Speaker/Music on March 6 th Single Speaker/Music on March 7 th Staff will complete initial planning. Help will be needed at the event for the following: Greeters Ushers Help with Vigil Project Merchandise Potential Social or Meal One Night? ACTION ITEM: None currently. Amber & Fr. Brad will continue to guide this forward. https://www.thevigilproject.com/
g. 10:00 am Mass	Information	Fr. Brad	7:00	Starting October 2 nd , the Sunday Mass at the Church of Saint Joseph will begin at 10:00 am. ACTION ITEM: None currently.
h. Installation Mass	Information	Amber	7:10	Reminder: Your presence at the 5:00 pm Mass on Saturday, October 15 th is greatly appreciated. You are welcome to sit wherever you feel comfortable. You will be asked to come forward during the Mass as representatives. There will be a social afterward. Fr. Brad will bring Bishop Kettler out to dinner.

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i. Past Events/Upcoming Events	Information	Amber	7:20	Past Events—July/Aug Joetown Rocks!	Upcoming Events—Sept/Oct Choir Rehearsal Has Begun Faith Formation Kick-Off9/18 **Please come after Mass for a meal. Rocktoberfest—9/24 Social Sunday—9/25 KC Breakfast—10/2 Faith & Fellowship Night—10/5 Social Sunday—10/9 Ignite Youth Night—10/12 Installation Mass – 10/15 Social Sunday—10/16 RCIA—10/17 Anointing Mass—10/22 Social Sunday—10/23 Ignite Youth Night—10/27
				Many ongoing events – Quilters, Cle Faith Formation, Friday Socials, Rer Group, Willing Hands, Our Loss is O	
j. Monument to the Unborn	Discussion	Bernie		In process for four years – looking to church. Proposed location would be the East entrance of the church. KC placement and design. Discussion surrounding ideas and e ACTION ITEM: Bernie will take discu- next steps.	be between the main entrance and C's are looking for input on the encouraged additional review.
k. Mass at Monument at the Cemetery	Discussion	Rick B.		October is Pregnancy & Infant Loss Life month. May be an opportune t Mass at the Monument in the ceme Proposed date – Saturday, October ACTION ITEM: Fr. Brad and Amber	time to have prayer service and/or etery.
5. Prayer		Fr. Brad	7:30	Fr. Brad led closing prayer.	
6. Adjournment				Meeting Adjourned at 7:35 pm.	

Other Information:

Future Topics:

Attendance:

A/P/V	Name	A/P/V	Name
	Staff/Trustees		Pastoral Council
Р	Baron, Rick (SJ Trustee)	Р	Meyer, Steve
Α	Budde, Dede (SJ Trustee)	Р	Zsupan-Jerome, Daniella
Р	Jenniges, Brad, Pastor	Α	Hickman, Daniel
Р	Walling, Amber (SJ Business Administrator)	Р	Nydeen, Lance
Р	Guest: Br. David Paul Lange	Р	Imholte, Bernie
Р	Guest: Marian Bach	Р	Fink, Jacob

Goals:

		Pastoral Council					
Tentative Completion Date	Actual Completion Date	(Owner) Goal					
		POSSIBLE GOAL: Evangelization Planning/Plans PRIMARY TOPICS/CONCERNS FOR PARISH: Communication, Bringing Parishioners Back 'after' COVID, Encouraging Participation for Financial Stability,					