

Pastoral Council Minutes

June 8, 2021

Absent Members: Ed Gallagher, Rico Regnier

Question of the Week: “Where do I taste and see the Lord’s goodness?”

The council discussed experiencing seeing the Lord’s goodness in teachers (especially during this time), nature, and friends and family while growing up.

Finance Update – Mimi Madrid and John Doolen

June 20 is the end of the fiscal year and STA did better than expected given the circumstances of the last year. July revenue is on track and over the expected amount, as there were two large donations to the church at the end of July for offertory.

AAA is at \$172,37.94 as of August 10, 2021. Our goal is \$195,000.000, so we are well on our way to achieving our goal.

Pastor’s Update – Monsignor Dan Stack

Monsignor says that things are going well. He is working on getting a newcomers group together so we can welcome our newest Parishioners in a more frequent manner. He mentions that there are quite a lot of new people coming to STA, most of which are families with young children.


As the Parish is still looking for staff to support the Faith Formation department, a council member suggests cooperating employment with another parish, to help lower the expenses for the church.

Commissions – Mimi Madrid

There was a short discussion on commissions, and only a few were able to give updates. Mimi discussed the need to rearrange commissions and figure out who each commission will report to on staff.

- Liturgy and music commission:
 - Eric was successful with the music camp which had 21 children in attendance
 - The 50th anniversary of STA is coming up next June and we need to start forming a committee
 - Volunteer recognition went really well
 - Welcome table in the Narthex – possible welcome ministry
- Small Faith Communities:
 - Still have people wanting to join
 - A challenge is figuring out which staff member the SFC report to
- Communications:
 - Mass times have changed on the website and have been made more visible and accessible
 - Blood Drive took place on August 15
- Education:

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- A lot of Faith Formation programs are being created with the intention of building up the programs
- Alpha starts September 1 and is online.
 - 8th Alpha at STA

Discipleship and Stewardship: Maria Yactayo (Guest)

Family Forming Disciples: Families with children in pre-k to 6th grade are the main audience for this program. 27 families in Spanish and 19 families in English are registered. There are numbers are pretty low, compared to numbers in the past. This is see across all parishes for Faith Formation, not just STA. Most people want programs that meet in person 100% of the time, not online.

Maria says that her biggest challenge is not having the staff. She is trying to make everything work with the resources and staff we already have.

Catechist of the Good Shepherd has 144 children registered.

YDisciple is for 7th, 8th, 9th, and a few 10th grade students. There are 57 kids on Tuesday and 58 for Wednesday. Due to the rise in COVID cases in our area, Maria added a Sunday group to this program, to limit the amount of people in a room all at once.

Maria is very determined to make sure the programs are successful. She is actively looking for staff, but mostly needs to focus her attention of learning and making the program awesome. Praise and pizza night, teen bible study, and teen kickoff are things coming up for Faith Formation. There are 97 children in the confirmation program.

New Business: All

It was suggested the we ask a ministry to take over each ministry dinner. Another suggestion was for the Pastoral Council to take over the first. As of right now, there is not determination if these meetings will continue to meet in person. It was suggested that there needs to be a Spanish translator at each dinner, with a program and agenda to follow.

Another suggestion was some sort of ministry fair that the Pastoral Council will organize. This could be a virtual ministry fair, defining how engaged each parishioner is in the Parish. There could be breakout rooms on zoom.

Actions Items:

- Suggestion of cooperating employment with another Parish – **Steven will bring suggestion to John Doolen**
- Organization of commissions and assigning to specific staff members – **Mimi Madrid**
- Questions about ministry dinner brought to John Doolen – **Mimi Madrid**
- Suggestion of Virtual Fall Ministry Festival – **Mimi Madrid**

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