

# **St. Anthony on the Lake**

## **Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting Date:** 9/25/19  
**Meeting Time:** 6:00 pm  
**Meeting Location:** St. Anthony's Conference Room

**Attendees:** Fr. Tony, Tony W., Brian M., Tom B, Bob B., Mendy L., Cheryl O., Maryclaire T., Jeff E., Mike S., Terri M-O

**Not in Attendance:** Dick S., Justin S.

- Pictures
- Opening Prayer—Jeff Ellington
- C3 Calling Card Reflection Time—Fr. Tony
  - How do you want to be remembered?
- Pastors Report—Fr. Tony
  - As written in Pastor's Report
    - **Highlights:**
    - Archbishop will move forward with the Campaign (\$150 million); rational tied to his retirement, wants to leave successor with some financial stability.
    - Rep. From Catholic Leadership, wants to do an assessment with each parish and determine what priests would be a good fit for the parish when they are due for a new leader.
    - Proposal that has been approved to allow Weddings to take outside of the church, with restrictions beginning January 2020.
    - Sole for Education walk will be coming up and Fr. Tony will be looking for sponsors for himself and Ellen.

See report below...

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### **Pastor's Report**

**September 25, 2019**

#### **Collaboration:**

- Alpha is set to begin the coming weeks. While enrollment is down, the groups will be meeting starting September 24<sup>th</sup> at QOA
- Both Al McCauley will be participating in an Alpha Conference scheduled for October 7 – 10. We are hoping to gain some insights on Alpha 2.0 and how we can keep the momentum going
- I received a phone call from Fr. Joe Jagodensky, the Temporary Administrator at QOA. We will be meeting on September 26<sup>th</sup> to discuss the current state of affairs at QOA and possible ways that we can re-ignite our collaborative efforts. Stay tuned...

#### **Staffing:**

- After 11 years of service as our IT person for both the school and parish, Susan Barnhart has retired from St. Anthony's. A luncheon was held in her honor where we presented her with a check and painting of St. Anthony from the parish. We also celebrated her birthday! While we will miss her, we wish Susan nothing but happiness and health in her retirement years!
- We continue to work closely with our new faculty and staff in their onboarding process. I have been meeting with Vince LaTona on a weekly basis. I couldn't be happier with this transition
- I continue to wrap up my performance reviews... 2 more to go!

#### **Archdiocesan News:**

- After reviewing the results of the Archdiocesan Feasibility Study and further consultation with his Councils and advisors, Archbishop ListECKi has decided to move forward with his ambitious Capital Campaign of raising \$150,000,000 for the Archdiocese. His rationale/case is based upon the fact that he will be retiring in less than 5 years, and he would like to leave his successor with the needed financial resources to continue the mission and ministry of our Archdiocese
- He has also asked me to consider serving on the Priest Advisory Council for the campaign... I will have to pray about that for now
- We had our Annual Fall Clergy Day last Tuesday, September 17<sup>th</sup>. Brad Berghouse presented us with a summary of where things stand with Vision 2020. Dan Cellucci from the Catholic Leadership Institute spoke to us about a tool that will be used to assess both the priestly and parish needs in filling future clergy assignments. Their hoped-for outcomes include:
  1. Ongoing Archdiocesan clarity

**2. Happier, holier priests**

**3. Thriving parishes**

We were also updated on the new guidelines/forms for weddings outside of a church

- The annual Soles for Education Walk will be held on Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at Mt. Mary College. Join us as we raise some much-needed funds for our school. All funds raised will remain at St. Anthony's

#### **News around St. Anthony's:**

- Our parish trip to Scandinavia and Russia was a great success. 38 of us ventured into the land of Nordic sweaters, pickled herring, palaces, cathedrals and castles... it was a wonderful journey filled with beauty, history, and good memories! Next pilgrimage will take us back to the Holy Land and Egypt in June of 2021. Believe it or not, the planning has already begun!
- Catechetical Sunday kicked off the 25<sup>th</sup> year of the family program. This year's theme is: "God's Calling... not Just Once in a Life Time." I am presenting at both of the opening parent sessions
- This Wednesday, our school will be celebrating its annual Gold in September Mass for pediatric cancer awareness. In addition to Mass, we will be offering a special adoration time for the ongoing healing and health of Eli Hansen. Join us on September 25<sup>th</sup> in the church from 1:00 – 2:00 or 7:00 – 8:00
- October 6<sup>th</sup> is Respect Life Sunday. Be sure to check our bulletin for further opportunities, beyond the usual baby bottles, to support and respect life
- Our Annual Mission Appeal Weekend with Padre Joe, Gisella and Freddie went very well. During the time with us, they went to a Brewers game, saw the China Lights, went to the Zoo and fed the giraffes, caught fish, dined on fish fries, and more! It is always a special time of the year when we can re-connect with our partners in faith. Many thanks to Mo Michaels for her dedication and hard work in coordinating this effort! 12 of our parishioners will be venturing down to Piura for our annual mission trip from October 25 – November 1. Please pray for them! For all her dedication and commitment to our Sister Parish in Piura, Mo Michaels will be receiving the Vatican II Award for service to the Missions on October 8<sup>th</sup> at the Cathedral. We are so very proud of Mo and congratulate her on this great honor!
- I have formed an Adhoc Committee of the Finance Council to review our current financial status. Consisting of members from both our Finance and Pastoral Councils, our staff, our trustees, and our Stewardship Committee, it will be our goal to do a number of things:
  1. Conduct an in-house review of our current financial status
  2. Engage in a 10-parish comparative review of our parish statistics and financial status
  3. Participate in a ministerial effectiveness review
  4. Evaluate our communication of our parish stewardship efforts
  5. Explore options to increase parish revenues through consolidated fund-raising events

Our hoped-for outcomes include building our reserves, retiring our debt, and providing funding for future capital expenditures. Our first meeting is scheduled for October 3<sup>rd</sup>

- Work continues for our first Signature Event: "Come Together!" scheduled for Saturday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at the Ingleside Hotel. Sponsors are being secured, venues are being booked,

save-the-date postings are being distributed. I am so very grateful for all the work that Dave Grunwaldt and Linsey Schweikert have put into this event!

- Denise Utter, our coach from Vibrant Faith's initiative will be at St. Anthony's this week. She will be observing and participating in our efforts to promote a "culture of calling" here at St. Anthony's. She will be present for our Leadership In-Service this Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup> and will be speaking at all the Masses this weekend as well. Welcome Denise!
  - Our annual pet blessing, in honor of St. Francis, will take place on Thursday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00 in the back parking lot. Bring your feathered and furry friends!
  - New Parishioner Sunday will take place on Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup> at the 9:00 Mass
  - Our annual 8<sup>th</sup> grade day of reflection will take place on October 16<sup>th</sup>
  - First Reconciliation prep will begin on October 17<sup>th</sup>. Please pray for our First Rec families!
  - We will be having our annual joint Pastoral and Finance Council meeting on October 21<sup>st</sup>. Our main agenda will be the formation and execution of our Adhoc Committee
  - Our Annual Memorial Mass will take place on November 7<sup>th</sup>. This year's celebration will include a special blessing and recognition of all who planted a memorial tree in honor of their loved one in our parking lot
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- Chairman's Report—Tony Wendorf
    - Next month is joint meeting with Finance Council, reserve SAH for the meeting date.
      - Part of Agenda may be to have Dave G. give us an update on Gala
    - Reminder for Saturday morning Inservice day
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- Trustee's Report—Cheryl Oliva and Tom Brandt
    - As written on the budget spreadsheets Tom passed out at meetings.
      - Provided an overview of the current budget reports
      - Fr. Tony has formed the **Parish Sustainability Committee** to look at the Parish Financial Health
        - How can we increase the fundraising efforts?
        - Looking at what programs are best for our parish; can we be all things to all people?
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- 2019-2020 Goals Discussion (7:05-7:35)—Fr. Tony
    - Fr. Tony asked us all to come to the joint meeting with areas that need to be addressed between the 2 committees.
    - Cheryl read the Finance Council 2019-2020 Goals
    - Mendy and Tony W. will rework and wordsmith the goals for 2019-20.
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- We need to be commissioned as a Pastoral Council

- Closing Prayer (7:55-8:00) –Jeff Ellington

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**Pastoral Council Goals**

**2019-2020**

**\*Not Approved\* Redraft #3**

1. Form Parish Sustainability Committee (PSC) to explore and implement strategies that embody financial and ministerial challenges facing our parish.
2. Support and monitor consolidated fundraising efforts to achieve efficient and maximum financial return while building parish community and engagement to support all parish programs.
3. Continue to guide and support Common Leadership Standing Committees in their development of goals that specifically align with the C3 Initiative and 2019/2020 parish strategic objectives. Complete all committee goal setting no later than December 1, 2019.
4. Live and grow our mission to serve others and advance our relationships with Christ and each other. Participate in a Pastoral Council outreach project, as a group, during the 2019/2020 year.
5. Be more visible within our parish community to provide leadership and guidance to its members.
  - Wear name tags at Mass, meetings, events
  - Greet participants in Gathering Space before and after Mass (suggested 2x/monthly)

9/30/19