

We the people of St. Joseph of the Lakes Catholic Church, as Christ's Body, Strive to be the heart, hands and feet of Jesus Christ

Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) Meeting - Tuesday, February 4, 2020, 7:00 PM

Present: John Carney, Cheri Brausen, Kelly Summerville, Keith Sjostrom, Don Hohn, Paul Siler, George Burr, Bob McMullan, Amy Moore, Ron Peterson, Fr. Mike Anderson, Joshua Bohl **Guests:** Rusty Ray, Tim Paquette

1. **Opening Prayer:** The meeting was opened with prayer.
2. **Minutes** were approved with following change: 5 Commission Updates, d Facilities, iii. – Exterior lighting is being looked at.
3. **Future Video Creation Process:** Guest: Rusty Ray (TV production professional/ Parishioner) and Communication Commission
 - a. Rusty works TV production and is a parishioner, hired to assist with videography-promotion at St. Joe's Church.
 - b. Rusty reviewed ways which St Joe's can utilize media to market and promote the parish.
 - i. Announcements
 - ii. Special presentations
 - iii. Facebook presence and promotion of activities/ events
 1. Videos on Facebook
 - iv. YouTube videos from St Joe's Church are available
 - v. Promoting the use of interviews/videos to create cohesive stories
 1. Staff holiday video 2019 – demonstrated the use of a scripted story utilizing a journalistic style and sound bites put together creating a holiday greeting. It was well received with positive feedback.
 2. Videos can also be unscripted (example shown of Social Justice Ministry while in Guatemala sending photos for use during weekend mass)
 - vi. Rusty encourages the parish to consider using these methods to promote our Parish in the community.
 - vii. Rusty has offered to work with all groups and ministries to promote and encourage, advertise events and assist us to create innovative ways to reach our community.
 - viii. A video example was viewed highlighting promotion.
 - ix. Advertise the opportunity we have to work with Rusty. We want parishioner to go through Anne in the office to connect with Rusty. Focuses might be: Faith Formation ad young families getting the word out about our faith programming, possible interviews with children.
4. **Guiding Principles for Long Term Visioning:**
 - a. Council reviewed the Key Take Away Ideas from prior listening sessions.
 - b. Fr. Mike Anderson shared Guiding Principles for further visioning based upon listening sessions, parishioner and council input, & overall experience and viewpoint from a pastoral perspective to aid the Visioning Process of St Joe's Parish as it moves forward.

Any visioning for the future should include a consideration how decisions might affect these guiding principles....

- **Who we are based on the Liturgical Life of the Church.**
- **Formation of People**

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- Where do we see ourselves going in the future as a faith community?
How do we want to form disciples in our future? Living faith in action –
How do we live out our faith?
 - **Outreach to the broader community**
 - **Connections – What kind of active partnerships do we want to have and to develop? How can our presence be felt in the community?**
 - **Partnership with St. Joe's rather than just a person with a kind heart**
 - **Intentional partnerships**
 - **Security of our assembly for the future**
 - **Security and safety of all parishioner**
 - **How are we going to secure St. Joe's?**
 - **Instill a sense of belonging to St Joe's.**
 - **Heart and Involvement**
 - **How can we be a relevant source to individuals? I "belong" because I experience a sense of community through groups and because of that I am motivated to develop a deeper involvement**
 - **Physical Environment**
 - **How does the facility support our vision of the future?**
 - **Changes to the physical environment – What is desired? What is necessary?**
- c. Discussion of additional guiding principles – What are we missing, add, delete?
- i. We want people who come, to become aware of what goes on here.
 - 1. Visible – we are living our faith which inspires others.
 - 2. How – Facebook, Announcements, Screen with continual info running in areas where people gather throughout the week.
 - 3. Build a communication plan.
 - ii. How do people connect?
 - 1. Families, generations, activities
 - 2. Different communication styles
 - iii. What do people want?
 - 1. Sanctuary, vision, relationships, Authenticity, making a difference, etc.
 - iv. How do we establish community and form relationships?
 - v. Personal relationship with Jesus
 - 1. Talk about one's faith
 - 2. Speak about one's faith, living our faith each day in all places
 - 3. What do we "like" about being Catholic?
 - vi. Faith formation of people – is a life journey
 - 1. Seamless program
 - 2. Community is in sync with faith formation program aspects.
 - 3. Expand programming beyond children
 - 4. Formal program
 - 5. Confirmation as an "end" point, in reality it is the journey into adult faith formation and a continued journey throughout life.
 - 6. Parenting Center/ Mentoring ideas were discussed.
 - vii. Security

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1. Lighting in back
2. Light switches
3. Accessibility
- viii. Retreats
 1. Christ Renews His Parish program
 - a. Offered as a retreat idea that has worked well at other parishes
 - b. Requires commitment and leadership
- ix. Rethink the idea of identifying young adult age range
 1. Youth 16-21
 2. Young Adult 22-35 and includes single, married, family as one group rather than separate groups.
 - a. Many come back to the church
 - i. For the Sacraments
 - ii. Integration
 - iii. Collaboration
 3. What is relevant to the Young people that bring them back into the church?
 - a. What are they interested in?
 - b. What do they want?
 - c. Ask the members of that age group to identify what they need and want from the church

5. Synod Ambassador Update

- a. Disciple Maker Survey Index is available during the month of February either online or as a paper copy.
 - i. Diocesan wide participation encouraged
 - ii. Results will give parishes helpful insight

6. Commission Updates:

- a. Justice and Charity: Ron Peterson
 - i. Collaborative efforts
 - ii. Multiple events
 - iii. Seeking opportunities for continued support through various resources.
- b. Finance: Paul Siler
 - i. Year End Report
 - ii. Offertory Giving Cards have been distributed
 - iii. Budget meeting scheduled for April
- c. Liturgy: Don Hohn
 - i. Liturgy Commission members brainstorming various visioning aspects
 - ii. Music Committee – has met and submitted ideas for visioning consideration
 - iii. Environmental
 1. Security
 2. Additional light switches in church areas
 - iv. Library
 1. Movable carts
 2. Space for Fair Trade Items
 3. Visual and Educational books and program ideas

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- v. Youth – Gizzy/staff
 - 1. Expand adoration
- vi. Training ministries
 - 1. Standardize various elements for all masses
- d. Faith Formation: Keith Sjostrom
 - i. Cohesive program
 - ii. Build a faith formation program and enthusiastically promote it to the church
 - iii. Reflect the mission statement – Heart, Hands and Feet of Jesus
 - iv. Need a structure to guide program – a core of the program
 - v. Feedback – participation numbers are down
 - 1. Utilize visioning and marketing ideas.
 - vi. Building needs
 - 1. Space
 - 2. Improved facility
 - vii. How do we build a program, the process?
- e. Facility: Kelly Summerville
 - i. Exterior light upgrade
 - 1. Prices
 - ii. Security
 - 1. Being reviewed and researched
 - 2. Financial investment/ pricing/ various aspects needed to be included
 - 3. Degrees of Security being reviewed
 - 4. Ongoing process
- f. Pastoral Care: Cheri Brausen
 - i. No report this month

Meeting adjourned 8:30 pm. Next meeting Tuesday, March 3, 2020 – Mass at 6:30 pm – meeting at 7:00 pm

Soup Supper hosts: Parish Council and Pastoral Care

Soups served at 5:15 – please contact Amy with choice of soup you are bringing.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joshua Bohl, Secretary/ LeAnn Zogg, Trustee/ Scribe