

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

1. Date of meeting: Wednesday, February 27, 2019 at 6:30 pm. Call to order by Chris.

2. Attendance:

Father Kevin	Chris Manley (Chair)	Mike Baum (co-chair)	Tim Myers (sec.)	Joe Sommers	Fran Jaeger	Janis Richardson	Scott Bong	Cheryl Rath	Jim Dobrzynski (Trustee)	Doug Duley (Trustee)
P	P	E	P	P	P	E	P	P	E	P

St. Leonard Pastoral Council guest: none

Guest: Jeff VanRixel

Opening Prayer: Fran

3. Meeting Minutes Approval:

- a. Chris motioned to approve November minutes. Scott seconded. Unanimously approved.

4. Agenda

a. Jeff VanRixel – school update

- i. Enrollment: At 116 now and budgeting 113 for next year. Conversion from K4 to K5 has improved over last 4 years (7, 7, 11, and 14)
- ii. Mukwonago partnership is helping. Tax payer funded for K4 2.5 hour level. That creates more opportunity to retain. Busing is not included but currently negotiating this with MSD.
- iii. St. Paul’s is closing their school. They provided some K4 to St. Joe’s. For the 1<sup>st</sup> time, one public school in MSD is offering K4. This may detract from St. Joe’s K4 enrollment.
- iv. St. Thomas is evaluating closing their school. Their enrollment is currently at 54. We may see some families move to St. Joe’s.
- v. Discussed need to increase participation / contribution of school families to the parish. Jeff is planning some Parish activities to engage school families. This is a great and important area to focus, and very important to keep kids coming to weekend mass after they graduate 8<sup>th</sup> grade.
- vi. Jeff encouraged participation in the golf outing. Great fundraiser for the school and parish. Other programs include STEM, and junior knights supporting basketball programs (draws in families).
- vii. Will state governor and philosophy changes on school funding affect St. Joe’s? St. Joe doesn’t participate in the school voucher (choice) program so it doesn’t directly affect us. It could limit future potential growth into this area.

b. Father discussed “The Ideal Team Player” analysis from the book. It is important to consider Humble, Hungry, and Smart attributes of people as we go through the discernment process for the next pastoral council members. Father will discuss further in upcoming meetings.

- c. Father discussed collaboration with St. Leonard. The Archdiocese is taking a 2<sup>nd</sup> look at overall plans and may be reconsidering some of the direction for plans not yet implemented. With this in mind, Father is putting a hold on all joint parish collaboration for the time being. The Multi Parish Ministry Institute was cancelled because of the reevaluation now under consideration. There is no time table for the next steps to be completed. The models could also change but is to be determined. Philosophy has been to allow individual parishes to decide on direction (not force change) – will this direction remain the same?
  - i. Chris and Father are drafting a notification to St. Leonard’s pastoral council. The combined meeting for March will be cancelled.
- d. Sound system update:
  - i. The sound panels are being installed. The contractor had an issue where their lift broke. This delayed completion of work until Monday 3/4.
  - ii. Jim Van Duesen has been working with the sound system provider. They worked out some changes that increased the cost by about \$10k. This included higher quality speakers, and additional speakers to cover the far corners and the amble. So, with the sound panels, the overall project budget has increased by about \$25k. Father appealed to the endowment fund to pay the addition amount, and this was approved.
  - iii. Proxy for Archdiocese approval is required. Equipment total is now \$52,050.
  - iv. Scott motioned to approve. Tim seconded. Unanimously approved.
- e. Archdiocese is freezing all capital campaigns (not allowing anything new) for an Archdiocese wide capital campaign. Because of this, father wants to delay the work on moving the tabernacle back into the sanctuary. He recommends that we consider additional changes to the sanctuary related to the ramp walkways and opening that may require added capital investment.
- f. Paul Serdynski has volunteered for a 2-year commitment as Treasurer for fun fest. Thank you Paul!
- g. Annual budget status
  - i. Initial pass sent out with a \$36k deficit. This isn’t out of the ordinary. Early concern is that giving is down year to date. This seems to be somewhat common in this area of the Archdiocese.
- h. Committee updates
  - i. Worship - Provided training to lectors and cantors on use of the new microphone. (Joe)
  - ii. Stewardship – meeting tomorrow (2/28). Jointly working with worship committee on St. Joe’s night on March 19. (Scott)
  - iii. Formation – Cheryl participated in activities with Jim, Lori, and students. Overall engagement was very good and lively. Next step will be to attend one of Annie’s meetings.
- i. Pastor’s report
  - i. Buildings and Grounds

1. Spectrum was in today to install business class internet.
  2. New phone system is being quoted – going to VOIP.
  - ii. Last week, Father had a 3 hour meeting with the PLT and their coach. This was focused on strategic planning. They started with high level view.
    1. Why do we exist – “we are a community striving to help people get to heaven”. A lot of issue taking place in the church today can be linked to losing sight of this primary focus.
  - j. Father led closing intercessions’ and prayers.
5. We go out to Love and Serve.

<b>a. Next Executive officers meeting</b>	Wednesday March 20, 6:30 PM
<b>b. Next PC meeting/social date/time</b>	Wednesday March 27, 6:30 PM
<b>c. Sending forth prayer</b>	Father Kevin
<b>d. Adjournment Time</b>	8:05 PM

### St Joe’s PC Calendar 2018-2019

4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays 6:30 pm

- 8/30/18
- 9/26/18
- 10/24/18 – joint meeting with St Leonard, so date may change
- 11/28/18
- 12/19/18 – social gathering, so date/place to be determined
- 1/23/19
- 2/27/19
- 3/27/19
- 4/24/19
- 5/22/19
- 6/26/19 – social gathering, so date/place to be determined

### **GUESTS TO ATTEND PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETINGS (Annual Schedule)**

MONTH	GUEST SPEAKER	COMMITTEE/ORGANIZATION
August		
September	Annie Collins	DRE, Youth & Child Ministry
October	Joint Meeting with St. Leonards	
November		
December	No meeting - social gathering	
January	Mark Kemmeter	Archdioces (2016 only)
February	Jeff Van Rixel	Principal, St. Joseph School
March		
April	Lori Labadie	DRE, Young Adult & Confirmation
May	Discernment of New PC Members	
June	Last meeting of year	