



St. Clement Pastoral Council  
Minutes  
January 7, 2021

**Members Present:** Fr. Mike O'Brien, Suzie Coffey, LeeMarie Bocanegra, Ines Crispin, Jassiel Perez, Carol Rodriguez, Gary Runkles, Ceil Herrmann

**Absent:** Mary Knox, Enrique Lara, Mike Sluga, Lourdes Villanueva

This meeting was conducted on "Zoom".

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 by Suzie Coffey

**1. Personal & Prayer Time:** Members spoke about New Year's Resolutions which they have made and are going to work hard to keep: Saying the Rosary every day. Being more organized. Taking each day as it comes. Writing a Gratitude Journal. Forgive and accept things. Do more praying. Do more reading.

**2. Spirit Prayer:** Members recited the Spirit Prayer in both English & Spanish.

**3. Approval of Minutes:** Minutes of December 3, 2020 were approved.

**4. Pastor's Report:** Fr. Mike sent his report to all members prior to the meeting. It is attached to these minutes. The following items were discussed:

**I. IMPLEMENTING OUR HEDGEHOG CONCEPT:**

**2. YOUTH MINISTRY TASK FORCE:** A combined Wheel is being created using our Vision Wheel and Growing Young Wheel. A document is being compiled to be used for all groups.

**II. ACTIVITIES OF OUR PARISH:**

**1. MYOSSM:** Gary reported that the committee is to meet on January 11, 2021 to find a consensus as to whether the Shortcake Project will go ahead this year. Gary had reported to the Shortcake Committee at a November meeting that St. Clement can survive without the Project this year.

**2. OLG:** The virtual celebration was viewed by almost 6,000 people. They hope to do a live celebration next year and possibly broadcast it live.

**3. CHRISTMAS PAGEANT:** The pandemic kept the number of attendees low. It was a very good program. Fr. Mike thanked Jassiel Perez for a great job producing the OLG and Christmas Pageant on Facebook and Vimeo.

**4. DYNAMIC CATHOLIC:** The book : "*I Heard God Laugh*" was handed out to all parishioners at Christmas.

**5. New Business:**

**1. Hedgehog Concept:** The Hedgehog was changed to read:

1. WHAT ARE WE DEEPLY PASSIONATE ABOUT?

Coming together through the Eucharist, to be a Blended Parish Family living our Catholic Faith.

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2. WHAT CAN WE BE BEST AT?

Being a Trinity Centered & Discipleship Driven Dynamic, Intergenerational & Ethnically Diverse Catholic Parish Family that is open to Growing Young.

3. WHAT WE ARE POWERED BY? (How is our Parish Family supported?)

By the involvement of every family serving Jesus First, in their Time, Talent and Treasure.

**2. Multicultural Pentecost Festival:** Carol Rodriguez reported that the Pandemic will cause the Festival to be canceled. Fr. Mike suggested that we celebrate at each Mass on Pentecost in some way. Possibly, the bulletin will include ideas for celebrating in our own homes, ethnic recipes, etc. Fr. mentioned that next year, Pentecost will be on June 5, 2022, and we probably should combine Fr. Mike's retirement party with a Pentecost Festival.

**3. Discernment Process:** Suzie reported that she had spoken to 4 people who expressed an interest in serving on the Pastoral Council last year, and they are all still interested. The Council needs to replace Chuck Luke and Mike Sluga. Ines Crispin is also stepping down, but has one year left on her term. Lourdes Villeneuve, whose term is finished, will fill Ines's position for one year. This means there are a total of 3 positions to fill, possibly 4, because one other member may step down. Fr. Mike will make one appointment. Fr. will also appoint a Staff member for a one year term. Fr. Mike will put a notice in the bulletin explaining that because of Covid-19, we extended the terms of the Council members, and the people who were seeking discernment last year are now being considered, so we are not recruiting this year. The discernment meetings will be done on "Zoom", so the Secretary will send handouts to prospective members by e-mail. The first meeting is on Feb. 11, 2021.

**4. Assessment:** Members will fill out the Assessment tool and we will discuss it at the February meeting.

**5. Dynamic Catholic:** There will be a new program coming from them. We will decide then whether we will continue to be a part of it.

**6. Leadership Team reports:**

Reports about the activities of the Leadership Teams in response to Fr. Mike's Covid-19 letter:

1. Gary (Financial Council) reported that the Stewardship Committee, now called "Serve Jesus First", have had 6 meetings and will meet again on January 13, to review their progress.
2. Ines reported that the Ministry Coordinators contacted all the Ministry Leaders. Some ministries have resumed meetings and following all the guidelines. Some are not meeting.
3. Fr. Mike reported that the Staff has sent out postcards to all parishioners because we have not heard from 500 to 600 people, and the easiest way to reach everyone is through a mailing to make sure everyone is getting the same message. Gary said that the envelopes have been mailed, but the Post Office has delayed delivering.

**6. Review Action Items:** The Recording Secretary will add new items from this meeting. All unfinished items were reviewed and updated. Items discussed:

**#152** - Christmas/Epiphany Party was held January 3, 2021. A SWOT will be discussed at Feb. meeting.

**#151** - Fr. Mike's Covid-19 letter response reports will be done monthly.

**#150** - Fr. will contact member with excess absences before February meeting.

**#135** - Suzie, Gary and Carol are helping Erin post pictures showing procedures at Mass on Facebook.

**#132** - Carol reported the total # of people who watched the weekend Mass from Dec. 8 to Jan. 8 on Facebook and Vimeo is 1,439, 624 watched the Mass, but didn't complete it, and 166 watched the complete Mass. 38% watched for only 20 minutes. Carol & Jassiel will develop a spreadsheet showing numbers of people watching Spanish and English Masses.

#### 7. Committee Reports:

The two task groups reported last month on their meetings in response to Fr. Mike's Covid-19 Letter. There will be further discussion at our Feb. meeting.

#### 8. Closing Comments:

We have a lot to do, and a lot accomplished. Ines said that her new baby will be baptized next Sunday. We have homework to do for next month.

#### 9. Closing Prayer: "Glory Be".

Next meeting: February 4, 2021

Minutes approved: February 4, 2021

### PASTORS REPORT FOR JANUARY 2021: FINANCE COUNCIL EDITION

#### I. HOW WE ARE IMPLEMENTING OUR HEDGEHOG CONCEPT

1. **GOOD SHEPHERD NEIGHBORHOODS (GSN):** The team continues to meet, and we hope to have our first PILOT GSN'S up and running in the new year. Juan and Silvia Arevalo have joined our team.
2. **YOUTH MINISTRY TASK FORCE:** Progressing very well. We are currently INTEGRATING the lessons from GROWING YOUNG, into the Key Saint Clement Documents. Paul Hetrick has been commissioned to create a COMBINED Wheel of our Vision Wheel with the Growing Young Wheel. The Hurst have developed a grid, showing how the 6 Pillars of Growing Young fit into the Five Habits.
3. **SERVING JESUS FIRST:** This new ministry, will be meeting monthly, and they are developing a yearly schedule, so we can reenforce the Message of Putting Jesus First in Our LIVES, then First in our: Time, Talent and Treasure, on a regular basis.

#### II. ACTIVITIES OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

1. **MYOSSM:** Update by Gary
2. **OLG CELEBRATION:** Our Virtual experience was very well received. I will be meeting with the OLG committee, to chart out Next year's event. Facebook: 5,836 and Vimeo: 191
3. **CHRISTMAS PAGEANT:** Our live audience was down, no doubt due to people's concerns of Covid-19. However, we had a good number view it on our Social platforms. Facebook: 910 and Vimeo: 59
4. **DYNAMIC CATHOLIC:** Our Christmas Gift this year was the Book: I HEARD GOD LAUGH. This will be used for THE BEST LENT EVER.

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