



St. Clement Pastoral Council
Minutes
May 6, 2021

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

Absent: Enrique Lara, Mike Sluga, Chuck Luke

This meeting was conducted on "Zoom".

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

1. Personal & Prayer Time: Members talked about their 50-day celebration of Easter. One member is excited that she has been able to continue to say the Rosary twice a day. Others are more mindful of their prayers of thanks everyday, some are reading the Old Testament, struggling, and there is room for improvement. Need to make time for prayer every day. Fr. mentioned a book "*Celebrating the 50 days of Easter*", which has a lot of good ideas.

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

3. Approval of Minutes: Minutes of April 15, 2021 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

1. Good Shepherd Neighborhoods: Fr. Mike attached an Executive Summary of the project. Theresa Cole and Paul Hurlock are presenting this proposal to the Director of the LPMI on May 19. This is one of the requirements for their LPMI Certificate. He met with them on Tuesday and they have created a Leadership Manual for the Coordinator.

2. Youth Ministry: The Taskforce is working on transitioning our current program. Along with Michael & Karen Hurst, Mark Healey & Veronica Gutierrez, Mario & Myriam Reyna, and some of the youth are planning a 2-day workshop. Hopefully, the plans will be put into place in the next month or two.

II. Activities of our Parish Family

1. Bishop's Announcement: There will be an announcement in the bulletin this week detailing the obligation to attend Mass for all parishioners, starting on May 22, 2021. The list of exceptions will be included in the announcement. Fr. read the announcement called "Mask Confusion" that will be put on Constant Contact about the statements issued by the Florida Governor on May 3, 2021. The Crisis Management Team, whose members include Suzie Coffey and Art Wood, met earlier this week, and Fr. reported that St. Clement will continue its current procedures. Changes to seating will need to be made to allow more people in Church starting May 22, especially the 9:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m. Masses. There is the possibility of live-streaming the Mass to Cronin Hall if everyone cannot get into the Church. Fr. Rafael & Fr. Mike will talk to the people at 9:00 and 1:00 Mass asking if some would be okay with changing the social distancing to 3 feet, and using every row in some sections of Church. Fr. Rafael spoke at the Spanish Masses encouraging people to observe social distancing at Church, get vaccinated and NOT to come to Mass if they are sick. Lourdes felt that Fr. Rafael could emphasize that he has

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been vaccinated, because there is a lot of misinformation about the vaccines, and a lot of people do not understand how serious the situation is.

Fr. announced that the bulletin will start including the Offertory amounts for 2019, as well as 2020, to compare to the current collection.

Comments: Carol said she had heard that people are glad that the Church Office is open, and it was pointed out that our Office has been open to people if they will call and give the reason for their visit.

Carol then asked about the aid that is given to people who need money for bills, etc. It was emphasized that My Brother's Keeper gives food, not money. Our registered parishioners can receive help on an individual basis.

5. Old Business:

1. Review Key St. Clement Document:

Fr. Mike sent updated Strategic Goals to all members prior to the meeting. These Goals are based on the Diocesan Vision: Courageously Living the Gospel. Our goals reflect our specific efforts to implement the Diocesan Goals. Before 2019, St. Clement established 3 taskforces to come up with projects and responses to the Diocesan Goals. The report of these taskforces was reviewed by the Council. Some of these plans were put on hold because of Covid-19. Now, we are updating our Goals, and should be able to reach the goals by 2022. The Pastoral Council Charter will be revised to reflect these efforts. Our Baycare Parish Assistance Program is our response to establishing family ministries for diverse family needs. Carol reported that we have a total of 19 people who have used this resource.

6. New Business:

1. Review Pastoral Council Charter:

Fr. reminded the Council that its role is the Parish "What", not the "How to". This is reflected in our Strategic Goals, so the Purpose Statement of the Charter should state this. Other changes include a revision of the Resources section which defines the Council Committees. The Communication Committee will be renamed and revamped to focus on the Strategic Goals. The committees would report each month to the Council on the specific areas outlined in their guidelines. Changes will be made to the Charter and presented to the Council for approval at the June meeting.

2. Revamp Committees:

Guidelines for the Committees will be revised by the committee members to reflect the changes made in the Charter. There will be further discussion at the next meeting.

3. Discernment Process:

Fr. Mike asked Lourdes Villeneuve to take an additional 3 year term as Fr. Mike's appointee. Lourdes accepted.

Fr. will speak to a person he has in mind to take over Ines' position, which is a one year term. This is a Council discernment.

The applications from the 3 candidates for discernment were sent to all members, and on recommendation of the Executive Team, the following people were discerned to become members.

James Butterworth and Deborah Folino will be asked to take 3 year terms.

Michael Strickland will be asked to take a 2 year term (replacing Enrique Lara).

4. Orientation of new members:

A change in the guidelines for orientation of new members was made. In August, there will be 2 meetings, one for orientation, and the other will be the regular Council meeting. They will take place on August 5 and 6, 2021, hopefully in Cronin Hall. Sometime during the summer, the Executive Team will prepare a notebook for everyone.

Ceil Herrmann reminded the members that Katie Gill will take over as Recording Secretary, and she will sit in on the June meeting.

5. June Appreciation Dinner:

Details of the Dinner on June 6, 2021 were discussed. Food will be from Esposito's. Outgoing and incoming members of the Finance Council, Pastoral Council, Pastoral Staff and Ministry Coordinators will be invited. Carol will give gifts to the Staff for their years in service, and Fr. Mike has gifts for outgoing members of the Councils.

6. Dynamic Catholic Update:

Dynamic Catholic will soon present their "Dynamic Catholic 2.0". We hope to hear from them soon.

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

- #166** Lourdes reported that people are excited about the "Green Mass". Fr. wants to plan the Mass in a strawberry field, if possible.
- #164** Council committees are still in the process of being revamped.
- #162** LeeMarie is researching how to make a document that can be filled in for the Succession Planning Committee.
- #160** Fr. Rafael will explain Parish Assistance Program to Spanish Parishioners.
- #148** The Charter will be revised and approved in June, rather than September, 2021.
- #135** Suzie & Carol are working on posting pictures on Facebook.
- #132** Carol reported on number of people watching Mass online. Future reports will be emailed to all members.
- #126** Committee meetings need to resume each month before regular Council meetings.

8. Committee reports:

- a. Succession Planning:** The next meeting is next Thursday, May 13, 2021. Suzie reported that we are making good progress. Jassiel offered to help make the form "fillable".

9. Closing comments: Good meeting, lots to do, moving forward. Pleased with direction of the Assessment Committee. Very productive.**10. Closing Prayer:** "Glory Be".

Next meeting: June 3, 2021

Approved with corrections: June 3, 2021

PASTORS REPORT FOR MAY 2021

I. HOW WE ARE IMPLEMENTING OUR HEDGEHOG

- 1. GOOD SHEPHERD NEIGHBORHOODS (GSN):** Theresa Cole and Paula Hurlock, will be presenting their GSN project on the 19th of May, to the Director of the LPMI. I am enclosing the Executive Summary:
- 2. YOUTH MINISTRY TASK FORCE:** We are actively planning our 2-day workshop, that the Diocese will help facilitate. In the meantime, we are moving forward in planning what our Ministry Program, will look like next year. We are starting with Imagining our Confirmation program.

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a. Our GOAL:

Develop a 3-year plan for the transitioning of our current Youth Ministry Program, TCDDYM, into a DYNAMIC CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY and have it approved by the Pastoral Council and affirmed by the Pastor, by May 6, 2021. The plan is to be based on: Growing Young, The Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic, The Key Saint Clement Documents, Purpose Driven Youth Ministry & Rebuilding Youth Ministry. The plan is to include how our Two-year Confirmation Program is an integral part of our DCYM, and not a separate entity. The implementation of the Plan is to begin by July 1, 2021. This plan would not include our Middle School Ministry. That will be a separate Goal.

II. ACTIVITIES OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

1. Bishop Gregory Parkes announced that the obligation for Catholics to attend Mass on Sunday will resume on May 22, 2021, the vigil of Pentecost. **ORAL REPORT**
 - A. Concerns with Social Distancing for inside. Currently 6 feet is still recommended.
 - B. Looking into Simulcasting Mass in Cronin Hall?
2. First Communions were last week at all the Masses and this week at the Spanish Masses. The number was way down from previous years, but we are grateful for the families and Catechists that STUCK IT OUT!!!!
3. May Crowning occurred at all the Masses on the weekend of May 2nd. We Crowned 2 Mary's. Mary is our Mother, who has many titles!
4. Graduation Mass on May 16th at the 9 and 11am.