



**Pastoral Council Meeting Notes  
November 30, 2021-7:00 PM VIA Zoom**

Present: Jim Sullivan, George Riviere, Diann Wiederich, Joyce Swenson, Father Shofner, Jeff Schultz

- Opening Prayer by Jim Sullivan
- Approved previous meeting minutes – motion by George, second by Diann, motion approved.
- Old Business
  - Parish leadership meeting (3 weeks) ago. This meeting was good and was attended by Jim and George. It will continue to be Father's focus after Advent.
- Fr. Shofner updates- Topics were covered throughout the meeting discussions.
- Pastoral Council activities
  - Usher update- Jeff Schulz/Adam Bemmels – Jeff advised that Adam no longer wants to coordinate this effort. Jeff and Adam are still working to improve on this process. George talked to Mary Hammer to see if she wants to continue to coordinate the greeters and if they could help with the usher duties. Mary could start the greeter schedule again in Jan. because it takes time to organize. George will ask Mary if some greeters can help with the holiday schedule after Father checks to see if other groups have already volunteers to step-up. Father will coordinate with George.
  - Buildings/grounds/maintenance update – George meet with Terry Genelin and Ron Schaffler and they have volunteered to coordinate this effort as part of a facilities maintenance team with George. George submitted a handout (attached) of the teams role and scope of responsibilities, pending approval by Father.
  - Annual report update- Jim chaired the effort to obtain reports/annual summaries from the various groups after taking over the responsibility from the Finance Committee which resulted in a late start this year. He feels better planning is needed next year. After discussion and feedback from Father it was decided that Jim will solicit reports in July of 2022 (the start of the new Parish Council year) so Father can distribute the annual reports in early October which coordinates with reporting deadlines for the Archdioceses. Father plans to distribute the reports this weekend (12/4-5/21). Joyce volunteered to assist with assembly if needed.
- Stewardship Committee updates
  - Gala- was a success
  - Come to the Table (1st event)- nicely attended
    - Many students/adults made rosaries
    - Many kids decorated 30 bags full of food to donate to the food shelf
  - planning book studies for after synod – Kathy is coordinating scheduling
  - Bible in a year continues on FB – several are participating

- Round Table - Share your concerns that you hear from parishioners or other relevant news. George brought up wearing masks at church services again. He felt Father should mention it at mass or publish something in the bulletin because of the uptick in COVID cases with the Delta/Omicron variants. At this time, Father had not received direction from the Archbishop. We discussed people having the ability to wear masks if desired and parishioners should not be judgmental.

It was questioned how Tess was doing and if she was back. She is healing slowly, and Carol has been coming in to help. Father feels he is getting along OK.

- Schedule next meeting for December 16, 6:30 p.m. at the Parish Center or Zoom. (Note: the December meeting was cancelled because of COVID, members inability to meet, and a small pending agenda before the holidays.)
- Closing Prayer by Father. Motion by Joyce to adjourn, second by Jeff – meeting adjourned.