



## Pastoral Council Meeting Notes

January 20, 2022, 6:30 PM - Parish Center

Item	Discussion	Action
Opening Prayer & check-in	Father Shofner opened with prayer. Jim Sullivan, George Riviere, Diann Wiederich, Jeff Schultz, Father Shofner and Joyce Swenson were present.	
Approve prior meeting notes	No discussion. Motion by Jim, second by Diann.	Notes approved.
Old business:		
Parish Leadership Meetings	Focus on the churches' greater vision of creating disciples. The October meeting focused on teamwork, the November meeting on the culture of prayer and the January meeting on discipleship. Nine attended, the small group discussions were good	Continue to grow leadership & create disciples (greater church vision)
Father Shofner Updates	Tess has been coming back 2 hrs./day for 3 days/wk.	Carol is bringing her up to speed
Pastoral Council activities	<b>Usher update:</b> Jeff is working with Adam Bemmels to create a database with phone/emails. They want to use Signup Genius or email to solicit ushers. Talking in the back of church is still a problem. They should sit in the church, not stand in the back.	Add Jeff's name to the bulletin as a contact (507-995-5449). Create Signup Genius for ushers. Diann's husband will help to curb talking. Designate a pew in back for the ushers.
	<b>Buildings/grounds/maintenance update:</b> new boiler for church next summer. Currently have steam, hot water would allow for A/C in the future. Trustees are also involved. Roof – shingles have windstorm damage-tarp for now, no leakage. Insurance should cover total cost of new roof.	Henry Endres soliciting/coordinating the bid process for the boiler. Explore roof options in the spring.
	<b>Direction/vision of Pastoral Council:</b> has been unclear. They serve as a sounding board for the parish to relay concerns and assist the priest with delivery of parish needs. Discussed the roles of the Pastoral Council, Stewardship and PLT. PC: daily parish concerns (B & G), effectiveness of programs (faith formation, adult groups), issues as arise. Stewardship: outreach/relationships, pastoral care, engage/connect people, hospitality & communication. PLT: spiritually minded, assist priest w/big-picture strategy, focus on discipleship, parish spirit vision. Prefer to be pro-active rather than maintenance mission. Revisit Greeter issue since ushers have absorbed some of these duties.	Need action items from each meeting to make it easier. Jeff to meet with father 1/26 to develop a strategy. Review Greeter issue at February meeting.
Stewardship Committee updates:	<b>Website:</b> needs renewal and more frequent updates. Scott is the current webmaster-he should permission others access. Add evangelization into site. Posting forms	Establish a gatekeeper to review data & approve for posting.

	submitted to Tess who forwards them to Jim. Committee has been busy with outreach/communication. Set up a Book Club, will sponsor a Come to the Table in March. They are using action items between meetings.	Scott permission others web access. Add evangelization to website.
<b>Roundtable</b>	Issues covered above. Father will be gone 2/12-13 and the following week. Jesuit priest Father Peter Etsol coming to cover weekend masses.	
<b>Schedule Next Meeting</b>	Tentative for February 17, 6:30 p.m. at Parish Center. Father will be gone – use Zoom so he can join?	In person meeting at PC 2/17 at 6:30 p.m., no Zoom, Father on vacation.
<b>Closing Prayer</b>	Father said the closing prayer. Motion to adjourn by Jim, second by Diann.	Motion approved; meeting closed.