

# St. Pascal Baylon Parish Pastoral Council – April 5, 2022 Meeting Minutes

## Condensed version

Present: Fr. John, Mary Weyandt, Kathy Humiston, Theresa Ruttger, Jim Reisdorf, Ann Karner, Patrick Stuhl, Colleen Cullen

Absent: Mario Esteb, Jaci Bush, Regina Head, John Muggee, Carmen Alvarez, Peter Hommes

Minutes of the February 1, 2022, meeting submitted by John Muggee were offered up for correction or modification. The minutes were approved by the council without modification.

As discussed in February, a summary of meeting minutes will be posted to the parish website each month. After the council approves the minutes from the prior month, John Muggee will draft a summary and forward it to Fr. John for posting.

### Pastor's Report

Council membership 2022/2033 – Under the bylaws, four council members rotate off the 12-member council each year. Ideas were discussed for recruiting a diverse group of members for the upcoming year. Suggestions included including representatives from parish clubs (men's club, women's club, adult faith formation) and encouraging representation from other diverse communities within the parish. Personal invitations from council members to prospective members have been utilized in the past with success. Candidates are normally identified in May, and a plan of invitation is formulated from there.

Fr. John asked for the council's feedback on the formation of an Activities Planning Committee. This committee would be separate from the Parish Pastoral Council. The parish may benefit from a committee to take on advanced planning for parish-wide events. The committee would potentially identify prospective chairs for events and proactively plan timelines, procedures and budgets for events. Upcoming parish-wide events include the Kickoff to Summer (Memorial Day weekend), Feed My Starving Children service event (July), National Night Out, Fall Festival, and a winter skating event (February). The committee may also consider ideas for events geared towards young adults. The council supported this formation of this committee. An initial meeting is planned for April 7, 2022 to discuss this committee. Fr. John, Mary Weyandt, Kim Roering, and Brianna will participate.

### Finance and Facilities Update

Theresa Ruttger reported that the fund-a-need initiative to replace portions of the roof is going well. \$91K of the needed \$104 -106K has been donated so far. The contract for the work on the first portion of the roof will be signed by early May.

Social Justice and Caring Committee Update - Ann Karner reported that lobbying week went well, with committee members contacting four legislators. In addition, over 90 parishioners participated in the postcard campaign. These individuals will be invited to take a more active role in upcoming activities.

On April 19, there will be a rally at the state capitol in support of the Bring it Home Minnesota legislation. Members of the committee will attend.

The donation closet drive for soup and peanut butter was a huge success! There will not be a donation closet drive in April. Rice Bowl donations will take place in April.

Progressive Baptist food distribution continues, serving 40-50 families each week.

Fourteen people are enrolled in the Just Faith initiative.

Mary Weyandt provided an update on the Merrick Food Distribution. The first distribution is scheduled for April 25. There are currently five volunteers, and more are needed.

Parish Council member photos will be put on hold until the 2022/2023 members are seated.

Parish sweatshirt sales will kick off the week of the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration – April 23/24.

The council reviewed the communication portion of the parish strategic plan. The workgroup will take the feedback and suggested revisions and rework this section.

Our next meeting will be May 3 via zoom. Our June meeting will be rescheduled from June 7 to May 31.

Fr. John lead is in our final prayer.

The meeting was adjourned.