

St. John Evangelist Pastoral Council Meeting
February 16, 2021 6:30 pm Virtual Meeting

Present: Fr Joe Dominic, Peter Bustos, Tracy Kissel, Toni Sarafin, Rich Tauferner, Audrey Waitkus, Tony Yetzer,
Absent: Bill Rutten, Lynn Miller, Tom Reilly, Julia Rodemeier, Bridgitt Zielke

- I. **Opening Prayer** Fr. Joe
- II. **Review & Approve** Audrey Waitkus Rich Tauferner 2nd 2/26/21 agenda Approved
- III. **Review & Approve** Tracy Kissel Rich Tauferner 2nd 11/17/20 minutes Approved
- IV. **Finance Council Report** Tony Yetzer read over Joyce's financial report. Income higher due to bequest and PPP forgiveness. We are under budget.
- V. **Committee Liaisons Request for Council Action** No meetings except for Religious Education. First Communion is scheduled for May 2 at 12:00 pm.
- VI. Old Business
 - **Strategic Planning:** All 3 people were absent, so no report was given.
- VII. New Business
 - **New Pastoral Council chairperson** Bill Rutten resigned as chair. There were not enough members present to elect a new chair. Will be added to the next agenda.
 - **Welcome Baskets for new parishioners** St. John's welcomed 14 new families in 2020. Welcome baskets are usually given but due to the pandemic will have to be paused right now.
 - **Survey Monkey Mass results** A SurveyMonkey was done to get input on changing the 9:00 am Mass time. 137 Families responded with 17% choosing 8:00 am, 46% choosing 9:00 am and the remainder split between 8:30, 9:30 and 10:00 am. It may be a good idea to try 8:30 am Mass time at St. John's with a 10:00 am Mass time at Blessed Trinity. That would be a compromise for both parishes.
- VIII. **Secretary Report** None
- IX. **Pastor's Comments**
 - Ash Wednesday Mass will be at 6:45 am at St. John's and 6:30 pm at Blessed Trinity. Lent is a "come back" time; back to church, back to faith. Will promote Wednesday and Friday morning Masses or Thursday morning at Blessed Trinity.
 - March 4 is a Day of Prayer for both parishes. Pray wherever you are. There will be evening Mass at 6:30 pm at Blessed Trinity followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

- Father Joe is asking all parishioners who are medically fit to fast-give up one meal-as a spiritual comeback. Spend a little more time in prayer during Lent, promote the habit of reading the Bible or doing acts of charity.
- Holy Week Schedule: Palm Sunday: Palms are ordered. Holy Thursday is at St. John's. Good Friday and Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil) is at Blessed Trinity. Easter Sunday 9:00 am St. John's and 7:30 & 10:30 am Blessed Trinity.
- Confessions during Lent: Every Saturday at 3:00 pm at Blessed Trinity (1st and 2nd Saturdays) and St. John's (3rd, 4th and 5th Saturdays). Will also have after daily Mass on Wednesdays and Fridays at St. Johns and Thursdays at Blessed Trinity. Or by calling the parish office to make an appointment.
- Thanked Bill for his service as Pastoral Council Chairperson. Also thanked Tony Yetzer for his time as Trustee.

X. Volunteer to Lead Opening Prayer at Next Meeting: The next Pastoral Council meeting will be Tuesday, March 16 at 6:30 pm via Zoom. Audrey Waitkus volunteered to lead the opening prayer.

XI. Closing Prayer

Fr. Joe

Respectfully Submitted by

Toni Sarafin

Acting Secretary