

**Blessed Sacrament Church
Pastoral Council Meeting
June 19, 2017 Meeting Minutes**

Present: Father Joseph, Shannon Hurley, John Halberda, Jack McGovern, Kathy Murphy, Beth Knowles, Victoria Salceda, Maricela Villalobos

Prayer and intercessions:

Opening Prayer: Father Joseph Romanoski
Gospel Reading: Shannon Hurley

Action Items:

- Follow up with Kurt regarding summary of Christian Formation
- Discuss possibility of changing the day Pastoral Council meets; Fr. Gabriel is off on Mondays
- Discuss ways to have younger parishioners represented at Pastoral Council meetings
- Carrie will check with the Bishop about having the closing celebration of 75 Years & Beyond at the Pastoral Center (Pastoral Center has 300 person limit; we may need larger venue)
- Deacon Jerry is going to talk to Jack about speakers for the 75th Anniv.
- Lori will send Executive Summary to Maricela and Victoria.

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes for Approval – Minutes from the May meeting were approved.

Objective: Become an Engaged Stewardship Parish:

- Survey on Stewardship Results/Workshop: The Pastoral Council will have a workshop/retreat August 26 & 27. John Halberda submitted a tentative agenda for Friday night and Saturday. Father Joseph would like to do something concrete with the online parish survey. See parish newsletter for survey results. The Spanish are not getting the parish newsletter. The newsletter comes out once a month to registered parishioners. (Jack should check into this.) Everyone should read the Executive Summary before attending the workshop.
- Fellowship Dinner: The dinner will take place at 0 Moore Drive after the 5pm Mass on August 5th. It will be a potluck. We should have everyone sign up to bring something.

Suggestions:

*J.S.- For confession, people need to form a line in the aisle after examining their conscious so there is no confusion or misunderstanding as to who is next. It's really a mess for the holidays.

Response: This is an excellent idea. We will do it. We will order a free standing sign that states "Confession starts here."

*B.P.- Remove or move small goals and mobile basketball hoop out of the parking area or at least move to corner. This will allow 6 to 8 parking places. **Response:** Good idea. It will be addressed immediately.

*B.K.- Change the resource room in the kindergarten building to the additional kindergarten classroom instead of using what is now the meeting room as a classroom. **Response:** Unfortunately, the resource room is a class room. We will use rooms in the school for meetings.

*D.D.- For Eucharistic Ministers of Bread, there needs to be a hand sanitizer in 2 elegant gold colored soap dispensers on the marble railings on either side of the stairs. **Response:** Eucharistic

Ministers should get coverage if they are sick. Liturgically speaking, Eucharistic Ministers do not wash their hands. Eucharistic Ministers may refrain from giving the sign of peace.

*M.K.- On Friday, there were over 60 people more for Stations of the Cross (in March), and I counted at least 20 people without books to follow along. **Response:** We will make sure we have more books by next year.

*A.B.- Please schedule a noon Mass every day during Lent since we have 2 priests in residence. Publish how late the church stays open each day. **Response:** The priests are not supposed to be assigned more than one Mass during a week day. We will address the issue of locking the church; the church will be locked after 3:30 pm each week day.

Other Business:

- 75th Anniversary Planning :
- Per Kimberly, nothing new to report.
- Regarding pictures and the parish directory, we will table the company we were looking at. We will look at another company.
- Marianna is working on a communication survey.
- The Spanish community will have to complete the Diocesan survey using the hard copies. They will have to do it like they do the census.

Next Meeting: July 17, 2017

Closing Prayer – Fr. Joseph