



ST. FRANCIS BORGIA CATHOLIC CHURCH

St. Francis Borgia Pastoral Council

Meeting Minutes

December 6, 2022 – 7:00 pm

Pastoral Council Elected Members Present: Stephanie Daily, Chris Frommell (remote), Christina Gani, Jennie Mulcahy, Ed Scherr, Tim Schilter, Bob Shimp, Joette Slaasted, Olivia Rapavi

Clergy: Pastor - Father Patrick Burns, Associate Pastor - Father Matthew Ferch

Trustees: Joe Carlson and Joe Schirger

I. **Opening Prayer:** Meeting began at 7:05 pm with Opening Prayer

II. **Approval of November Minutes:**

Tim recommended one correction, which was made. Then Tim moved to have the minutes approved, Stephanie seconded. November minutes were approved.

III. **New Business**

A. **Father Al Recognition Weekend:**

January 21 & 22. Fr. Al will be the Celebrant at all 5 Masses. Chris chatted with Fr. Patrick and Scott Hill, and the Council decided not to go with the Garden idea presented by Scott. Instead, there will be a second collection for Fr. Al several weeks before Jan. 21 & 22 where parishioners can donate towards a monetary gift for Fr. Al to do with as he discerns. There will be small gatherings with Fr. Al after Masses; Stewardship Committee will organize these, as well as decide what to do after the 4:30 & 6:00 Masses with an alternative to coffee & donuts.

B. **Parish and School Master Plan Information:**

Chris met with the Building & Grounds Committees and a Memorial Plan triggered the need for a landscaping master plan request for proposal. This is unbudgeted. So far LaRosa is the best contractor for bench & tree beautification. Looking into sports & academic focus ideas as well. Chris to keep the Council updated with progress.

IV. **Pastoral Report**

A. **Tale of Two Families- Rebranding:**

Fr. Patrick said that he & Fr. Matthew will cover the bill for the dinner next year. Looking for a new theme as "Tale of 2 Families" no longer applies with Fr. Matthew on board. Auction for this dinner is in February. Brainstormed names "Feast with the Priests," "Men in Black," and "Jordan and the 2 Priests" (If we want the school to be represented) were thrown in the hat. Decided to ask Kristin Ladtko and the Communication Committee for other ideas.

B. **Advent Mass Times:**

Immaculate Conception Holy Day Masses this week. Fr. Matthew is holding a Candlelight Rorate Caeli Mass on Saturday morning at 6:30 a.m. at the South Church. Also added another mass at the South Church on Christmas Day.



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C. School Update:

Leslie Hultgren stepped down. Considering if this should be a full time Development Director position, and/or include duties for the parish vs. just the school? This is a work in progress.

D. Other Updates:

Directors & Committees (Buildings & Grounds) who spend money are starting talks regarding expenses and budgets.

V. Associate Pastor Report

A. Healing the Whole Person Update:

Fr. Matthew is leading "Healing the Whole Person" sessions which start January 4. Handed out "Do You Want To Be Healed?" book to parishioners after all Masses, along with an invitation to attend sessions. Advertised in Constant Contact and the Bulletin. Looking for an emcee. Fr. Matthew was asked by the Archdiocese to lead this type of class pertaining to priests. He accepted the challenge, and will go to Florida to teach. Jennie asked that if someone attends more than once can they register for free the second time around? Yes, we can give them a code.

VI. Pastoral Council OKR Updates

A. Stewardship (Bob):

Meeting is this coming Thursday at 1:00, so nothing new to report at this time. Leif said the number of donors hasn't increased, but more went above & beyond. Fr. Patrick is impressed and donations are still coming in. Joette mentioned that she didn't get "the letter" which states how much you gave previously; it will be looked into, as maybe others didn't receive theirs either.

B. Marriage Ministry (Stephanie):

Marriage ministry - working to connect with volunteers to organize these efforts
Considering formation opportunities for married couples during the late winter/spring.
What this would entail - TBD.

Desire some sort of Marriage Mentor Ministry - as exists in other parishes.

General need for more information/communication on marriage in general - electronic, bulletin; Child care helpful when offering formation opportunities for married couples - a consideration

C. Eucharistic Devotion (Christina/Joette):

Discussion about putting a message on the South Church marquee – Joette volunteered to post a message, mass and adoration times on the sign & keep it updated. Everyone agreed. The Christmas message will be "O Come Let Us Adore Him." Will decide on a new message for January. Regarding the "Adoration 3-Fold Flyer" – will change out testimonials for 2 male versions which Christina will obtain. Then it will be put in bulletins and Fr. Patrick will make an announcement before all Masses about adding Adoration to your New Year's Resolution. Had discussion about Mass times – decided to put the



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Archdiocese's link to "Masses in your area" on our bulletin on the front page where Mass times are listed. Joette reached out to Marie to accomplish this. Wondering if we should have Adoration after Masses in Lent? All were in favor. Fr. Patrick wondered if it was a good idea for him to do 5 minutes of Catechesis before Mass or after Communion? Discussion ensued, no concrete decision made.

D. Council and Staff Collaboration (Chris):

Chris met with a broad group of Parish staff, leaders, and volunteers at a meeting arranged by Michelle Kluck (Finance Council Chair) regarding immediate needs for the fiscal year; physical/shared space, people, volunteer resources, how to make the Parish better over all; received a very diverse vision for the future which was very helpful in moving forward. We will be working to better align the timing of staff needs and OKRs with inputs into the budgeting process.

E. Miscellaneous

Jennie said that there is a Respect Life National Night of Prayer this Thursday night into Friday morning, if Council was interested in participating.

Joe Schirger mentioned that he saw a good article in the Catholic Herald about a good way to describe a Parish: WHO we are, WHAT we do, and HOW we do it.

VII. Committee OKR Highlights:

Updated on Google Drive.

VIII. Closing Prayer:

Meeting adjourned at 8:28PM with a Closing Prayer.