

St. Joseph Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)
Rosemount, Minnesota
Meeting Minutes
October 6thth, 2022
6:30 pm

Attending: Fr Paul Kammen-Pastor, Jon Guden-Chair, Ron Sailer, Mike Vanderheyden, Patricia Cina, Dan Wells, Aleksandra Spiess, Brian Hoyland-phone, Randy Haney, Pat Croke.

Excused: John Wollersheim-Trustee

1. Opening Prayer

Patricia Cina

2. Strategic Plan

Randy spoke about the difficulty coordinating meetings with the staff over the summer due to vacations and priorities surrounding the remodeling of the school to add more classrooms.

Randy did say that meetings to discuss the plan and set priorities and timelines will be done by mid-November.

Of the four major plan items, Randy said work is already underway and certain pieces of them are being utilized in church operations.

Coordination with the finance committee will still need to be done as well. Currently, the school rooms available will be good through 2023. 2024 could be problematic. Future expansion has not been determined. Trends need to be studied. The Archdiocese has tools available to aid with the process of trying to determine whether future expansion of the campus is needed. Ola is the Parish Council liaison to coordinate with the Finance Council in crafting the parish Annual Report.

The next capital campaign will likely be in 2023. A pilot group may need to be formed to determine the feasibility of where the funds would most likely come from.

Communication of the plan to the parishioners will be needed but first will need to see the Archbishop's Synod letter due out in about a month. From that letter Synod evangelization teams will be set up and meetings held to determine how to implement the priorities of the Archbishop. Then an examination of both the letter and strategic plan will be reviewed to determine if any adjustments need to be made to the strategic plan.

Communication to the parish group who participated in the Leadership Summit back in March may be done prior to full communication to the parish.

3. Parish and Financial Updates

Worship – Ron said Bill is focused on increasing participation in the video and music ministries which will be two of the ministries highlighted after masses the weekend of October 15th-16th. The children's choir will begin in October. A remembrance altar will be set up in early November. Solemnity of All Saints is November 1st.

Faith Formation -Mike provided Kayla's update:

- Family Formation program starts this Wednesday & Saturday (Oct 5 & 8) - crazy busy/stressed prepping for that
 - Saturday still needs 4-5 volunteers...for October session youth will likely just stay with parents vs breaking into small group since we don't have volunteers
 - Registrations numbers are on par with last year if not slightly ahead - new families have registered...some families from years' past have not registered and/or have noted they are doing formation elsewhere
- CI has started - 36 total people registered...seems to be going well these first few weeks
- Youth Ministry has started up and will be weekly for HS & MS (except for Family Formation weeks and holidays)
- CGS is started up for the year as well as classes for the SJS PreS/K classes begins this week
 - We have 17 sessions of CGS this year (this includes the SJS classes and Formation classes)
 - 11 Level 1 are for the SJS
 - 3 Level 1 for regular formation
 - 2 Level 2 classes for regular formation
 - 1 Level 3 class for regular formation
 - The 17 sessions are taught by only 5 different trained facilitators - 4 of which volunteer all of their time!

Engagement and Communication – Dan said that the Parish Festival was a success. Preliminary numbers regarding funds raised are not available yet. The parish is still looking for a Daycare Coordinator. There is one applicant that is being interviewed for the position.

School – Ola said the school had received several grants which has helped its financial operation. Student retention is 85-90% which is very good. The school is looking to add a new position, Marketing-Enrollment, to help promote the school to the parish and public.

Pastoral Care and Outreach – Deacon Gordon continues to update everyone via email.

Financial Update- Randy said it will be several weeks before final numbers are available for the Parish Festival. He distributed several of the parish's annual reports from the last few years, showing the iterations moving away from strictly financial data to showing how the parish's finances are being used. He indicated that there would need to be a financial liaison appointed from the strategic planning committee to the finance committee so there is clarity in the information being provided back and forth.

4. New Business

There is a traveling Pro-Life Display on the lawn of the church with white crosses signifying abortion deaths.

The council agreed to move all future meetings to 6:00pm from 6:30pm.

Archbishop Hebda will be at St. Joe's on October 21st to celebrate mass with the group working with the prison ministry. This event is not open to the public.

The Catholic Watchmen group has started a new "Faith and Egg's" program. It is on Saturday mornings, featuring mass, breakfast, and a talk. There will be 3-4 of these throughout the 2022-23 school year.

Closing Prayer

Patricia Cina