

**St. Joseph Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)**  
**Rosemount, Minnesota**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**December 1st, 2022**  
**6:00 pm**

**Attending: Fr Paul Kammen-Pastor, Jon Guden-Chair, Ron Sailer, Mike Vanderheyden, Patricia Cina, Dan Wells, Randy Haney**  
**Excused: John Wollersheim-Trustee, Ron Sailer, Pat Croke, Aleksandra Spiess**

**1. Opening Prayer**

**Mike Vanderheyden**

**2. Strategic Plan Discussion**

The Archbishop released his Synod Letter on November 20<sup>th</sup>. Father Paul will be assembling an evangelization team in the coming weeks. They will undergo training this Spring before starting their mission of implementation of the key points the Archbishop wishes to focus on.

This activity will be incorporated into the final draft of the strategic plan, so there is no duality of effort being attempted within the efforts made through the plan.

Randy has received feedback from all staff but has not completed updating the plan draft with that information. It will be done in the coming weeks. He did indicate that in looking at the current draft of the plan, several of the points included have already been implemented or are being worked on to begin implementation.

One of the large challenges is there is a severe lack of volunteers, which are needed to help with everything currently laid out in the plan.

It is the wish of the Council to make sure a plan is finalized before the end of the current parish year in June of 2023.

As the final draft comes closer to being finalized, more interaction with the Finance Council will be needed due to the plan item addressing potential expansion of facilities based on studies that must yet be done.

**3. Parish Updates**

**Worship:** Jon reported that Bill is actively engaged in Advent activities.

**Faith Formation:** Mike Reported that Kayla provided the following updates:

- December Family Formation meets next week - the theme/topic is Mary and Marie Hoffmann will be our adult/parent speaker

- Still need 1 more volunteer to lead a group of 2/3 Graders on the one Saturday a month morning for Family Formation
- First Reconciliation Morning Retreat is this Saturday (Dec 3)
- We had a Confirmation Retreat a couple weeks ago - that went really well (we have one more in January - as the teens split between attending one of the two). Gabe was able to do 1:1 meetings with the youth that were just on retreat and that has been really fruitful in seeing where teens are at in their journey and just making connections with them
- Catechetical Institute is going well on Monday nights - almost done with Module 1 (of 4) of the 2 year program
- Mom's Group on Fridays is going well and looking forward to starting a new study in January to keep it going
- Tuesday Night adult bible study is looking to do a study on Revelation in the new year

**Engagement and Communication:** Dan indicated that there was an email update from Jordan with the following:

There was a new member outreach to 41 new families in November.

12-11 – Pancake Breakfast; 12-19 – Keeping Christ in Christmas; 1-7 – Basketball Freethrow Championship; 1-21- Spaghetti Dinner; 2-20- Blood Drive; 2-24- Fish Fry; 3-24- Fish Fry; 3-25- Cursillo Retreat

Two interviews have been completed for the Nursery Asst. position. One Coordinator position interview was conducted today. Waiting to hear back from one interviewed for the assistant position. Anticipate opening January 8<sup>th</sup>.

The 2021-22 Annual Report was designed and compiled. Distribution to the parish begins this weekend after all masses.

There are 36 Cub Scouts participating in this year's program compared to 22 last year.

**Pastoral Care and Outreach:** There was the normal monthly email from Deacon Gordon

**School:** Randy reported that school interest continues to remain strong. Much stronger for this time of year than in past years.

**Finance:** Randy reported that the added classrooms cost \$300,000. Those funds came from PPP funds, which also allowed the parish to add funds to the reserve account. The parish can operate for a maximum of one year without implementation of a new Capital campaign. However, in order to start the new one, decisions need to be made regarding

changes/additions to the campus. A new committee needs to be assembled quickly to begin work on this.

#### **4. New Business**

**Closing Prayer**

**Mike Vanderheyden**

Prayerfully submitted,

Mike Vanderheyden