

St. Joseph Parish Pastoral Council Meeting
August 12, 2019

Attendees: Nancy Delac, Jodi Januszewski, David Konopinski, Susan Rath, Jude Siefker, Mike Kelley, Father Joe Mamich, Matthew Tortorici, Thomas Uthup, and Scott Kimble.

Excused: Jon Ciccozzi, Jason Pokorny, and Kathy Wright

Called to Order: Scott Kimble called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm and led the group in prayer.

Approval of the Minutes: The minutes from the April 8th meeting were approved as submitted. Nancy Delac made the motion, with Thomas Uthup seconding it.

Commission Reports from Liaisons:

Prior to beginning this, returning and new PPC members had a chance to select their commission. Those who were not at the meeting were assigned:

Community Life: Jon Ciccozzi and Jason Pokorny

Liturgy: Jodi Januszewski and Kathy Wright

Social Concerns: Susan Rath and Jude Siefker

Spiritual Life: David Konopinski and Matthew Tortorici

Youth-Young Adult: Nancy Delac and Thomas Uthup

Only Community Life has met since the April PPC meeting.

Community Life: Nancy Delac

Community Life is going to try to make sure that every event has a component of evangelization as part of it, perhaps through items as simple as placemats with parish information.

Liturgy: Kathy Wright

No meeting, nothing to report

Commission-of-the-month report:

Scott Kimble indicated that no commission would report this month, but that we would resume the reports and conversation with Kathy Wolf representing the Liturgy and Youth-Young Adult Commissions at the October meeting. PPC would continue going forward with having a commission present at each PPC meeting with the exception of the June meeting.

Follow-up from April meeting:

PPC took the opportunity to have both the new and returning members introduce themselves to the council as we begin our year together.

Pastor's Remarks:

Father Joe shared the Parish Snapshot (as included on page 3 of the minutes) with the PPC. It was noted that over the last couple years, the parish's ending assets have grown. Fr. Joe also provided an update that the organ project nearing completion with the organ almost done except some final

touches and crews working to put the loft, Ushers Room and Cry Room back together. Once those are completed, the final work will be to lay new carpet and tile in the loft itself. Bishop Perez will be here for a Blessing and Dedication Concert on Sunday, November 17 at 6:30pm. Finally, Fr. Joe shared with the PPC that the parish's 75th Anniversary is in June 2021 and he is begin to assemble a small committee to do some early exploration of events to celebrate, he's particularly interested in trying to have the Bishop for Mass and some sort of off-site celebration. During this part, a member suggested that we try to assemble photographs, particularly of people who may have been baptized and celebrated sacraments here as well as highlighting our history to help people better understand our parish's beginnings. Fr. Joe mentioned that we were founded out of St. Mary in Berea at the request of a letter sent to Archbishop Hoban by Mrs. O'Grady. Her son, Fr. Dennis, is still living as a retired priest of the Diocese of Cleveland. Our parish originally had 40 acres, with 17 remaining now with the rest sold to be developed as part of the Olympia neighborhood.

Open Forum:

Members asked a question about how the picnic went, with Fr. Joe stating that it's not to make money, but rather have a good time. That said, the money that the parish collects was down, even though he felt the crowd to have been larger or perhaps, they stayed longer. A conversation ensued about the school air-conditioning and courtyard project and how the school is supported from the parish. Enrollment is dropping seemingly at the older grades, Fr. Joe mentioned a desire to be open to adding a newer program, such as pre-K at the younger grades. Then, Fr. Joe discussed that the school has a budget of approximately \$3.1 million and receives around \$475,000 in total from both St. Joseph and St. John Neumann. The parishes contribute 20% of their offertory collection as a subsidy in support of the school; with this formula, the amount of support given to the school is directly tied to each parish's offertory collection. The school air conditioning project is being funded through existing events at the school such as #WeGiveCatholic, Night at the Races, and the 5-year Gala to be held February 22, 2020. Enough funds have been raised for the first phase of the air conditioning (the oldest section of the building) and is awaiting approval from the Bishop. It's hoped that the addition of air conditioning will not only benefit the day school kids and PSR kids, but also open up the building for additional use, such as summer camps. It was suggested that people look to the Strongsville Rec Center's to get an understanding of what might be able to be done here; the Rec programs are well-received.

Closing Prayer: Scott led the group in Closing Prayer and the Our Father. He then adjourned the meeting at 8:19pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 14.

Respectfully submitted,

Fr. Joe with the help of Scott Kimble and Michael Kelly

Parish Snapshot
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	Year ending June 30,			
	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Registered Families	2,835	2,774	2,672	2,593
Change from Previous Year	61	102	79	67
Parish Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 117,070	\$ (2,942)	\$ 104,262	\$ (105,398)
Bequests	\$ 201,732	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 86,814
Collections: to budget				
Offertory	\$ (11,216)	\$ 11,499	\$ 5,219	\$ 31,168
Maintenance and Repair	\$ 4,870	\$ 2,739	\$ 4,946	\$ 84
Year End Assets	\$ 659,987	\$ 589,631	\$ 569,796	\$ 579,981
Change from Previous Year	\$ 70,356	\$ 19,835	\$ (10,185)	\$ (264,346)
Year End Loan Debt	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 75,129	\$ 184,724
Debt Change from Previous	\$ -	\$ (75,129)	\$ (109,595)	\$ (85,667)
Major expenses in year:				
	\$ 141,742	\$ 215,536	\$ 62,428	\$ 286,618
	Organ	Organ Sewer*	Organ Bricks Rectory Kitchen HVAC Front Offices	Garage Parking Lot
		unplanned*		