

# **Saint Mark Catholic Church Pastoral Council**

## **Minutes September 26, 2022**

**In Attendance:** Father John Putnam, John Benson, Christine Wladyka, Lisa Daily, Suzanne Broda, Myrna Crosby, David Balmaceda, Kathleen Harrison, Chad Wilson, Tim O'Bryant, John Ferrannini, William Mooney, Fernando DeUrquidi, Tricia Sisson, Patrick Slusser

**Absent:** Scott Bruno, Peter Miano

**Prayer - Intercession**

**Father John**

**Accept Minutes**

**Lisa**

**Guest Speaker for Room in the Inn (RITI)**

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- 1<sup>st</sup> week of Dec – last week of Mar, ppl screened for drugs/safe, 2020 RITI shut down, 2021 Room Above put in a mask/vaccine requirement, went from 18 ppl down to nbrs as low as 2 ppl, changed to every other week increased to 6-8 ppl.
- Considering doing this again this year, Room Above will not have a vaccine mandate but will have mask mandate, looking at doing 2 vans every other week, headcount of 8, every other week if volume isn't there. Spoke with Journey Church, they are willing to start every other week. Bob proposed every other week to start as well. Journey Church has a van. Volunteers needed 15-20 each week on Tuesdays.
- All are in favor of starting again, partnering with Journey Church and doing every other week.

**PC Members- New Members**

**John**

- Welcome new members- Tricia /Bill/ Fernando/ Pat
- New Chair- John F
- New Secretary- Christine

**Commission Updates**

**John B**

- **Stewardship** – Septemberfest went well; food trucks were slow; coming up with more options. New parishioner meet and greet Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>. Discussing Christmas give-away. Review parish plan scorecard, not final. Bagel Sunday Nov 6<sup>th</sup>.
- **Evangelization** – Chosen movie 25 ppl per night, considering movie night, FF – training catechists, first evangelize then catechize, Lifeteen – looking to improve; ¼ public school kids attend, Ben Torres is leaving 5pm, liaison are added for the public schools, Small Groups starting, want to do possibly 3x's a year/different levels of study, Casting Nets is coming Oct 16-18 for parish mission, Youth Mission Oct 20-21st, Together in Holiness – Catholic Marriage conference at St. Ann 8:30-3:30p Nov 19<sup>th</sup>, Nov 5th-6th Dr. Ferrin to talk to teachers, parents, kids, Men's Welcome Retreat Nov 12th-13th, Looking for speakers for Lenten Mission.
- **Communication** – No new update
- **Parish Life** – No new update
- **Education** – No new update; might be combined with evangelization commission (same as pastoral plan)
- **Finance** – No new update
- **Community Life** – RITI, Habitat future build date, Catholic Charities donated 5 trucks of home goods and moved a refugee family, Hands for Haiti – large growth in the schools, Thanksgiving food drive is planned.
- **Liturgy & Worship** – Altar guild/altar girls, two new torches, Deacon Tom McG will make a new torch/stand, Sisters working on new altar linens, organ – no quote yet, but plan being put together, Bill

will circle back with Jacob. Difficulty for St. Mark to get into Huntersville Oaks to minister to folks – John F assisting, blessing animals Oct 1<sup>st</sup>, All Souls Nov 2<sup>nd</sup>.

- **Buildings and Facilities** – New door for adoration chapel – still exploring options. Adoration chapel door is sticking, needs to be adjusted. Considering new lighting outside of building, Cross on the bell tower, ministries need training on technology and info for space clean-up/set-up.

#### **St Mark PC Website**

**Lisa**

- Lisa walked council through website location for all council documents.

#### **Future PC Meetings- Face to face**

**John**

- Moving to face-to-face meetings

#### **Security Team Update**

**John F**

- **Knights of St. Joseph- Crisis Abatement Team** - First meeting on 19<sup>th</sup>, equipment discussed, equipment is stored in church, mapping grounds, trauma bags, blankets at church and Kerin, trauma packs ordered, provided security for Septemberfest, badges came in, looking at dress options, Life Chain requested security team for October 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Huntersville town ordinance – supposed to meet with Bradford but did not happen. Need to reschedule the meeting.

#### **Volunteers -**

**John**

- **Pastoral Plan 2023 - Action: Council members look through pastoral plan introduction for Fr. Putnam vision for next meeting.**

#### **Parish Operations Update**

**Scott**

- **Facilities and Staff Updates -**

#### **Father's Update**

**Father John**

- Faithful Citizenship for voting
- FF – Mattie Torres
- Sr. Zeny leaving end of month, Sr. Charis is here
- Septemberfest went very well, feedback very positive
- Evangelization about Eucharist; Lisa will send letter from parishioner
- Priests on retreat next week

#### **Closing Prayer**

**Father John**