

Saint Mark Catholic Church

Pastoral Council Minutes

April 24, 2023

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

Absent: Chad Wilson, Peter Miano

Prayer -Intercession

Fr Putnam

Accept Minutes (Tricia, Patrick)

John

Chairman's Opening Remarks

John

- Name tags dispersed

Commission Highlights

John

Stewardship – Sunday April 30th Meet and Greet (This is a Stewardship hosted and run event) Please feel free to pass along signup genius to appropriate groups:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805054FA5A92FAA8-stmark2>

b. Monday May 8th Stewardship Meeting -- this will be virtual

c. Sunday, June 11th, Bagel Sunday

d. August 26/27 for the Ministry Fair. Actively plan in May.

Evangelization/Education – Rescue project mini-retreat @ 100ppl, Pastoral plan draft finishing up, FF 25+ teens receiving confirmation at Pentecost, Lizzy Coleman has become the designated liaison to the Welcome retreat teams, FF streamlined forms, many ideas being floated for mission and speakers.

Communication – Nothing new, communications team is doing more in house vs outside to save on costs.

Parish Life – Coffee&Conversation still meeting, less people attend; divorce support continues to meet, Prayer Shawl - Squares: 106 for all graduating HS Seniors, Shawls: 8, Baby blankets: 15, Rosary bags: 30.

Community Life – Catholic Charities delivered 2 16ft truck loads of housing, moved refugee families into homes, food pantry – distribution continues and stocking of our cabinet, Habitat 4 Humanity – April 15th, May 6th build, Loaves & Fishes – pickup from

Target, Respect for Life – April 24 Holy Face talk, RITI ended in March – hope mask requirement will be lifted next year.

Liturgy & Worship – Nothing new; Easter.

Buildings & Facilities – Bob Langbo ready to start copyroom, 2 phases, will start soon. Wrapping up at rectory – planting done, furniture ordered. Organ – platforms, wiring, plans, specs needed before contract will be signed, 3 vendors, 2 bids.

Finance – Nothing new.

Security Update

John

- Holy week – everything went well and according to plan. Holy Saturday we had the Vicar General, no complaints from clergy or parishioners.
- Next FHC, Confirmation planning.
- Moved things needed to current storage area.
- Police officers did not have any issues; noted that our sensors are not working correctly at the light. We are dealing with a state road so that will cause delays to get it fixed.
- If we put in new wiring in church we might want to consider doing the wiring for cameras.

Pastoral Plan 2023 – Notes/Questions

John

- We are waiting for diocesan reports.
- Can continue to work on the reports and get them finished.

Parish Operations Update

Scott

- Working on the well; hasn't been up and running for years. We are moving forward to fix that. Started over Easter break. Getting close to getting it done.
- Still working on corner of building.
- Drains cleaned out, water going where it should.
- Rose is doing well and learning her way with Stewardship.
- Church door will be looked at again 4/25; broken.
- St. Mark feast day 4/25; need volunteers.
- Looking to do marriage retreats again at St. Mark. Set two date September and February. All ages.
- Leak in church by the First station. Not sure if it's new or old. Hoping it's a paint issue.

Council Comments/Eyes and Ears

John

- School had auction – they are fixing up the Marian Statue area for the children. Trying to get in before May crowning.
- Cookies and silicon bracelets will be provided to St. Mark's students for St. Mark's feast day.
- Tim and Debbie are sponsoring a couple coming into the church – is it possible to have a teaching mass? Contact the RCIA team.
- Next Month's meeting will be moved due to the Bacc mass., CANCELLED.
- June is usually a social gathering; date tbd.
- No meeting in July.
- SeptemberFest – more vendors for this fall. Scott said that is the plan.

Father John's Update and Open Discussion

Fr. Putnam

- Easter – Including CTK, >6K people attended. Over budget as well.
- DSA – Goal 368K, Currently: 518 donors, 188K, outstanding pledges 95K, 84K still needed.
- Organ – Ruffatti brothers, they examined the church, sound, etc., provided 3D renderings, based on layout of church the thought is that we need two sets of pipes, we would need to be out of the church 1 ½ months for project deconstruction and completion. 1.75 million for organ, estimates still coming in for contract work. Estimated 3 million dollar project.
- Rendering for new building was tabled for 2020, but being looked at again to open up more space.
- If projected growth happens, base would increase which could help financially for improvements.
- Ordination to Diaconate June 3rd, 4th there will be a reception in the hall. There will be 7 new deacons.
- June 17th Ordination, 3 new priests.
- Diocese is working on World Youth Day.
- National Eucharistic Congress – working on getting a group from St. Mark to go to Indianapolis.
- Manny, new Director of Music, begins June 1st.

Closing Prayer

Fr. Putnam