

Saint Mark Catholic Church

Pastoral Council Minutes

October 25, 2021

In Attendance: Father John Putnam, John Benson, Suzanne Broda, Myrna Crosby, John Ferrannini, Wojtek Lachowski, David Liberto, Peter Miano, Tim O'Bryant, Christina Riley, Nathan Vari, Chad Wilson, Christine Wladyka, David Balmaceda, Scott Bruno, Jim Burger, Jean Carlo Carrillo, Lisa Daily, Richard Cataldo, Matt Socha

Absent: Kathleen Harrison

Prayer Intentions - Father John

Accept Minutes - Lisa

Financial Budget Update – Matt Socha and Richard Cataldo

- Updated council- budgets and financials

Review of StMarkNC.org website – Lisa

- To get to Pastoral Council click on “our parish” at the top, click on “pastoral council”. You may find the links to the Pastoral Plan, survey, scorecard, Adoration, commissions and minutes on the site. Pastoral Council contact list with phone numbers will not be shared on website.
- We still have openings on the commissions. Please consider signing up for one of the openings.

Stewardship Updates – John/Father Putnam

- Faith formation started last week of September.
- Septemberfest a success. Thank you breakfast for volunteers October 31st.
- Roof Above Men's Shelter- served 10,000 lunches.
- Blanket, Jacket and Toy Drive- normally serves 300, we had double show up and needed more coats.
- Angel Tree begins October 30.
- Thanksgiving Food Drive begins November 7.
- More volunteers are needed for Ushers (Donny Woodard)/Parking Attendants (Keith Cosby)- please let Lisa know if interested in helping.

Parish Operations Update- Scott

- Paul Laskowski started as Director of Evangelization. We will invite him to join us at next months meeting.
- Carrie Merner hired for Faith Formation, Mariana and Kathryn also new to faith formation. All doing fantastic job.
- Deaconate Ordination– Tom Martin ordained.
- Father Bean on medical leave of absence for a while longer, Deacon Tom McMahon will be back on schedule soon, Deacon Tom McGahey feeling better.
- New staff working great together

Evangelization- Jim

- Men's Welcome – Team 2 and Team 3 are in formation, sharing transformational stories. A Continuation Committee was created to keep the program sustained, 11 individuals on committee currently. Will put together a shared drive to house best practices.
- Upcoming Welcome Retreats: Men's April 2nd and 3rd, Women's March 19th and 20th.

Eyes and Ears – Father John

- Synod on Synodality- Pope Francis would like to encourage respectful discussion. Father will update when more information is available.
- Diocese of Charlotte celebrating Golden Jubilee next year- Eucharistic Congress will celebrate "birthday" among other exciting events.
- St. Thomas Aquinas and St. Mark looking at "World Feast" celebration.