



## PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES ACTAS DE LAS REUNIONES DEL CONSEJO PASTORAL

### Agenda

Chair: Buster Brown

Date: 4.29.25

Location: Church Hall

Time: 6:00 pm

Additional Details:

#### Participants (P – Present; NP- Not Present)

Rev. Patrick Cahill (P)	Rev. Dr. Mike Zboyovski (P)	Rev. Dr. John Langlois (NP)	Buster Brown (Chair, 6/25) (P)	Abel Lomeli-Garcia (Vice Chair, 6/26) (P)
Laurie Zone-Smith PhD (Secretary, 6/26) (P)	Dr. Shawna Hoffert (6/25) (P)	Charles James PhD (6/25) (P)	Laura Morales (6/25) (NP)	Joe Stritch (6/26) (P)
Michael MacCauley (6/26) (P)	Ginny Raviotta (6/27) (P)	Noe Valdez (6/27) (P)	Dr. Daniel Frayne (6/27) (P)	Terry Ryan (6/27) (P)

**Guests:** MaryEllen Shepard Parish Life Coordinator (P); Amy Arias-Cordova Dir Religious Ed. (NP)

### Discussion

- Call to order at 6:00 pm. Buster Brown
- Opening Prayer Deacon Mike
- Welcome & Introductions Buster Brown
- 3.25.25 Minutes Discussion Buster Brown
  - Minutes were approved by: Buster added names of the HVAC companies. Terry moved to accept; Michael seconded, carried approved.
- Pentecost Father Pat

### 6 Commissions

- Buildings & Facilities Buster Brown
  - Joe distributed a written report. Categories included: HVAC, Roof, Solar Panels, Sanctuary Beautification; 5-year Building and Facilities plan, Symmetry with ACS. Report attached to minutes.
  - MaryEllen stated there is a leaky water pipe in office, Salvador reviewing and changing out ceiling panels.
  - Dr. Shawna asked for a study to assess solar panels including upfront costs (\$143k paid by tax incentives for federal and state), credits, monthly savings (\$600/month). Parish benefit of \$20-30K. Study to include costs for panel replacements when time to replace the roof.
- Education & Formation Abel Lomeli-Garcia
  - Last month, confirmation retreat was to be at Buster's farm however due to fires move the confirmation retreat was moved to church. ACS students attended as well.

- 
- 75 First Communion students (2 groups) next consecutive Saturdays.
  - Last Sunday, celebrated mass for last week of Youth group.
  - Camp Hidden Lake in July, (1 week 14<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>) recruiting for support, focusing on fundraising efforts to support students. Life Teen camp, mass, growing in the spirit. Goal 35 kids and 5 volunteers. 10 students registered thus far.
  - Planning for next year for 300 kids. Amy needs extra help to support the activities.
  - Catholic Heart Work Camp is occurring, but privately.
  - Vacation Bible School (VBS) is not planned for this summer.
  - Confirmation and communion guidelines for attendance expectations have supported participation. If needed a sacrament of initiation, needed to go to youth group. Assessing Youth group (social/spiritual) vs. sacramental prep (intellectual/spiritual).
  - Parent formation involvement for children ready for sacraments in development.
  - Catechists very helpful but volunteers and slowly stepped away and wants to build catechist formation and strengthen their faith as well.
  - Finance Council: received donation focused on youth to potentially fund a part time coordinator for kids and summer program.
- 

- Evangelization & Communications

Charles James

- Several key stakeholders have left the commission, in need of team support.
  - Bulletin needs fiscal resources. Website is time commitment (Michele from the office supports). Bulletin sent via email. Communications focus: website posting needs update. Need someone to assist with routine maintenance and updates.
  - Charles to follow-up with an approximate time investment to keep communication needs up to speed. Recommend talk with Michele to determine amount of time needed to manage the bulletin and website. Terry suggested bringing details of finance budget to council and decide where to spend funds to support technology needs and webmaster. Goal to update the website.
  - Father Pat and Able on WLOS for Pope Francis passing.
- 

- Liturgy & Worship

Rev. Dr. Michael Zboyovski

- Completed Easter portion, next quarterly meeting liturgy commission review past weeks liturgy experience. Music sheets (didn't get lost with language transition). Please email deacon Mike feedback and suggestions of what was implemented. Quarterly meeting 5/12 at 10:00am. Holy week liturgy was beautiful. Attendance: Holy Thursday 786; Good Friday 780; 869 Holy Saturday.
  - Raul, Alison, deacons, pastor, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, servers rep attend liturgy committee.
  - Need 11:30 bilingual mass coordinator. Sacristan Ellen/Erica is 5:30; Raul is 7:30; Rick is 9:15. Middle schoolers are hospitality once a month.
- 

- Outreach (Ecumenism)

Ginny Raviotta

- Remembrance service 4/5- attendees part of bereavement support group. Bigger attendance than last year and growing.
  - Discussing if separate service is needed for loss of children.
-

- 
- Parish Life
    - Nurse ministry; ABCCM planning classes

MaryEllen Shepard

---

## Old Business

Buster Brown

- 
- Pentecost Dinners May 15 -June 12
    - Synod discussion and Journey Together title dinners. Dinners are potluck to come together; MaryEllen focusing on dinners 5/22 (Speaker on Pentecost by Father Pat) and 6/19. Speaker Terry review 5-year plan and finances based on parish feedback. Shawna offered to pay for the meat protein. MaryEllen to get the meat and publicity. Continuation of the synod with Holy Spirit alive in the church. Main dish provided, bring a side or desert (est. 100 people to attend). Catholic Charities dinner Spirit of Hope is 5/15. Pentecost is 6/8. Assess interest for monthly dinners. Ginny suggested selecting same day of the month (3rd Thursday) if go to monthly. Every other month or quarterly possible. 6/19 – Juneteenth included in intercessions.
  - Council Nominations
    - Due by 5/20th. Several nominations received thus far and look forward to more nominations.

Buster Brown

---

## New Business

- 
- Parish Master Plan
    - Finance team delayed due to Bishops visit. Terry will present at May meeting and will send to council prior to meeting to review. Can choose what to do with finance excess. Recurring input by council into budget. Master plan is 3 parts 1) synod discussions feedback. Actions taken, new faith formation coordinator and changed with program; 2) Internal audit in 14 areas, build a profile 3) synthesis and put it together. Funds to ensure summer contact with youth for example. 370 kids in faith formation program to continue to fund. National immigration crisis, responding to unsolved catholic issues; law enforcement visits and presentations.
    - Short-term and long-term issues. 5-year budget plan and capital plan. Funding for capital plan.
    - Highlights: Grew by 700 parishioners (75% Hispanic) over last 5 years. Project will need a new part time Catholic bilingual priest, growing in Hispanic community across all ministries. Catechists, pastoral care of the faithful, all are welcome theme to continue to invite to parish; explore with Diocese with growth; ministries; \$300k hurricane relief funds;
    - Add to agenda Sunday after parish council meetings or quarterly to share summary. “Thank you for your support to accomplish all this parish does based on your help.” Buster asked Terry to send 5 bullet points to provide what the parish is currently involved in and to offer thanks.
    - Shawna shared a desire to keep majority catholic teachings. We expose large number of non-Catholic students to catholic beliefs. Don’t want majority to become the minority. Private schools charge double what we charge, no multi child discount. Need to consider increasing tuition costs for teachers to make a good wage. Church was paying loans and subsidizing the school. Finance committee asks ACS to become self-sustaining once loan is paid off. Church has no authority over ACS. ACS school board has oversight. Church is financially, bound to ACS because the church is landlord of ACS. Consider Catholic vs, non-Catholic tuition costs. Keep Catholics at Catholic school.
    - Terry asked to read the document and focus on section C synthesis to offer feedback.

Terry Ryan

- 
- From the Parish – Suggestion Box
    - No suggestions in the box this month.

Laurie Zone-Smith

- 
- Closing Prayer
  - Meeting Adjourned at 8:54 pm
- 

Father Pat  
Buster Brown

## **Next Meeting: Tuesday 5/27/25**

*If you have any questions or need additional information about the minutes, please reach out to a Parish Council member. Parish Council members' information is posted on the Pastoral Council bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.*

**2025 Parish Council Meeting schedule (4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday) @ 6:00pm in the Parish Hall:**

Tuesday 6/24/25