

PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES

September 15, 2022

Father David opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. with a prayer. In attendance were members Dana Brown, David Dart, Bill Franz, Wayne Hussey, Bob McCarty, and Morris Stark. Father David Leibham, Pastor, and Jane Heckler, Parish Chief Operating Officer, were also present.

The first item of business was review and discussion of a "Confidentiality Agreement" form. The language of the form makes clear that all items of business brought before the Pastoral Council are to be treated as confidential by Council members both during their service as members as well as after leaving the Council.

Father David updated the members on the new signage that will be placed in appropriate locations around the Parish campus in the near future. The signage is designed to resist fading.

The next item discussed was the Commemorative Book for the 75th Anniversary of the Diocese of Austin. The Parish pre-ordered 420 copies, 370 in English and 50 in Spanish. It is anticipated that the book will be available for purchase during early November 2022 predominantly after Masses. The price will be \$40.00 per book which is sufficient to cover the Parish's costs.

Father David next discussed the return of the Precious Blood at Holy Communion scheduled for this weekend. He pointed out that the Parish has 142 active Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion; 122 of them recently underwent an updated instruction, with written procedures developed and implemented. Deputation ceremonies were held during Masses on September 3, 4, 7, and 11, and will also be held on September 18 (Spanish Mass). The Parish also has 37 altar servers, 54 lectors, and some 25 ushers, with written procedures being updated and implemented covering each area of responsibility. Father David advised that he plans to get together with the Wedding Coordinators in early November. Finally, Faith Formation is robust with elementary school having 86 families, middle school having 80 individuals, and high school having 195 individuals.

The next item on the Agenda was a brief update on the Welcome Retreats scheduled for February and March 2023. The women's retreat is set for February 24-26; the men's retreat is scheduled for March 24-26. More information will be forthcoming as the time draws nearer.

David Dart, Bill Franz, and Bob McCarty volunteered to handle coffee and doughnuts on the First Sunday of October, October 2.

The meeting closed with praying the Our Father; it adjourned at 7:28 p.m.