

**ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH
PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES
March 23, 2023**

The Parish Pastoral council meeting was called to order at 6:00PM in the Parish Conference Room. Members present were Doug Duchac, Bear Wadzinski, Tom Oscar, Sandy Bishop, Michele Wingate and Fr. Louis. Members absent: Joe Mattke, Nancy Huber and Karen Guarke. Others present: Laura Reiter and Juanita Skubal..

Fr. Louis began the meeting with a prayer.

The Mission Statement was read.

The minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed. Doug made a motion to approve the minutes, Tom seconded the motion, all were in favor, and the minutes were approved.

Staff reports: The staff reports were reviewed.

Old Business:

1. Standing Committee Development Discussion-Every Family being involved in Church activities.
 - Hospitality/Social: **Staff member:** Julia Pankow **Council members:** Bear
 - Outreach/Mission/Service:**Staff member:**Ann Jelinek **Council members:** Sandy
 - Liturgy/Worship: **Staff members:** Jan & Fr. Louis **Council members:** Tom
 - Faith Formation: **Staff member:** Marianna **Council member:** Karen

We need to get an updated list of volunteers. Staff could work on that. Maybe we need Marketing goals for the volunteer areas. A media outreach committee would be helpful.

2. Parish Council Term Limit Review and Discussion:
 - a. New Officer Election Bear was nominated as vice chair, Tom as chair, and Sandy as secretary. Michele made the motion, Doug seconded, all in favor, no opposed. Term starts in May.
 - b. Recruitment for 4 new council members: Four people volunteered to join the council, so we will stop the search. Laura will ask them for short bios to put in the bulletin. Laura will bring returning members bios to the next meeting for them to update. To "elect" the new officers, we will have just a round of applause as approval at a Mass in April. Thank the outgoing members Have Fr. Louis announce and ask for applause
3. Family Mass
 - a. Adopt a Grandparent. This idea is tabled until Fall since no meals are planned for the next few months. Michele said maybe a table could be in the CCC for people looking for families. Maybe a council member could host a table.
 - b. How do we build on the family mass? Service activities? The next council can address this.

New Business:

1. Mass time change: Fr. Louis wants 2 masses back to back at St. Mary's on Sundays. In order to determine the new times, Fr. Louis wants to form a Mass time committee for both St. Augustine and St. Mary's. Michele and Jan have volunteered to be on the committee for St. Mary's. Fr. will talk to Deacon Dave to also be on the committee. Fr. Louis will talk to SA's parish council in May. The changes will start in September.
2. Youth minister: Finance council does not want to hire anyone for this part-time position. A committee needs to be formed to fill this need.

Other Business:

1. Laura is working on a pew card with QR codes for donations, facebook, and website info. The goal is to get it in the pews by Easter.

Sandy did the closing prayer. The meeting adjourned at 7:10PM. Sandy will do closing prayer next month.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 18 at 6:00PM in the Parish Conference Room.

Minutes submitted by Laura Reiter