

Pastoral Council

Committee Mission -



St. John
THE Baptist
CATHOLIC PARISH

December 10, 2020 | 6:30 – 8:00 | Narthex

Attendees: Becky Bond, Fr Jim, Don Vande Yacht, Michelle Malone, Mary Hanson, Cheryl Yursis, Dan Tooley, Mary Reynebeau, Diana Ball, Gary Lockstein, Michelle Nowak

Absentees: Dale Garfield

Meeting Minutes

Topic	Presenter	Time allotted
<input type="checkbox"/> Opening Prayer	Michelle N	6:30-6:35
<input type="checkbox"/> Approval of November Meeting Mins Motion: Gary Lockstein Second: Michelle Malone All Approved	All	6:35-6:45
<input type="checkbox"/> Updates and/or Reviews	Fr. Jim	6:45-7:15
1) One by One/Capital Campaign – A formal request was sent by Fr. Jim to the Bishop on 11/24/20 and was responded to with an affirmative via email on 11/27/20. A formal letter is being crafted by the Diocese. Key elements of the request are: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$7,000,000 campaign• Parish and Diocese Mission planning support• Six additional projects for “Combined Campaign”• Tithing all monies (10%) up to achieving the Diocesan goal of \$661,648• SJB will make a “good faith effort” with this campaign• Come Holy Spirit – reveal the next step.		
2) Value Engineering Team progress (this team will be looking at each project and developing the scope for each one) – The team met on 12/1/20. The breakout sessions focused on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reviewing status of each project• Value Engineering discussion regarding new office/commons• Discussion regarding the Historical aspect of the Ministry Center• New office/commons meetings are set for 12/16/20 @ 6:30 pm in the Narthex. The price increased due to needing an elevator and the foundation that is needed under the building.		
3) Christmas Discussion – Mass times are Christmas Eve at 3:00pm, 5:00pm and 9:00pm. Christmas day is at 9:00am. The 3:00 & 5:00 masses on Christmas Eve are full (250 people).		

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Currently the 9:00pm mass and the 9:00am mass both have 102 people registered each. People should bring their RSVP with them to get a seat in the church. If anyone shows up without an RSVP, they can sit in the Narthex as long as there is space.

Discussion took place re: the times masses are being offered and the possibility of adding another mass. Options included adding a mass on Christmas Eve at either 7:00pm or midnight or on Christmas Day at 11:00am. Need to balance social distancing, minister availability and Fr's availability. It is difficult to find ministers to assist at Holiday masses but we are also struggling finding ministers for the weekly masses. Karen Buchinger did a plea for ministers at last week's masses. According to the Diocese, Fr Jim can say six masses on Christmas versus the typical three per day. Some council members did have concern with only one mass being offered on Christmas Day. The change in mass times is only for this year due to the pandemic. There are no plans to approach it this way moving forward.

The plan is to pre-record the mass with full music. Fr. has received feedback about some being disappointed we are not livestreaming the mass. Part of the reason is due to minister availability. There are discussions going on about live streaming one mass.

- 4) Disciple Maker Discussion/PMP – Fr shared the PMP is our strategic plan and we will be “getting back to it” however there are things happening that support the PMP. One of the items from the PMP was the Disciple Maker comprehensive survey. Last night an event (Catholic Answers) was held. It was a result of feedback on the survey (I wish I could explain my faith better to people). Feedback from the council was positive and they would like to see these types of events continue. Rob did receive a call from an upset person re: the controversial discussions. Those items will be edited out of the video before being posted to our website. The panel did select questions prior to the event and they also hand wrote some answers. The unprepared questions were where things may have gotten a little uncontrolled and opinions were shared versus teaching. A suggestion was to have topics/categories that can be drilled down. This last event did have 5 categories but since the questions were divided up amongst the panel, the topics were discussed at various times.

What's next: The real presence of Jesus – Grow in believe and understanding of our teaching. Fr. distributed an article re: this topic. It is scheduled at SJB for Lent 2021. They will be highlighting Eucharistic Adoration. Fr will be leading the implementation team. Diana, Gary, Mary R, Cheryl Y, and Michelle M volunteered to be on that team. There will be a staff member and non-council members on the planning team as well. Initial ideas are to promote Monday-Friday 7am Holy Hr, share a five part series on The Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist (borrowed from Milwaukee's Catholic newspaper) and possibly hosting “an evening of transubstantiation by combining the teaching with a powerful experience of prayer.

- Ministry Center Meeting update Dan 7:15-7:35
Dan Roarty, Lisa Christensen, Dan Tooley, Mary Reynebeau, Michelle Malone, Gary Lockstein and Fr Jim met on 12/2/20. They discussed the history of the building and what has been done to that building in the last 10 years. They also discussed the future of that building and what their initial thoughts are on what to do with it. The primary updates are around windows being replaced, HVAC needing updating since it is shared with the school and it is currently a steam system, exterior work that needs to be done as well as addressing the bat issue (bat removal). For those items the cost is

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approx \$350,000. To demolish/remove the building the cost is approx \$400,000 plus all that space that is currently being utilized would be gone.

Dan R led them through a SWOT analysis (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats):

- Strengths include its history, beauty, architecture, size of the building and the location/visibility.
- Weaknesses include location due to the location of the main doors and parking lot, it's an older building, lots of maintenance (but the building is sound), cost. The Ministry Center also needs a new roof.
- Opportunity – Getting the word out about how much the space is used and that it is available for use. It can have up to 300 people.
- Threat – Worried about the space not being taken in a "holy" way since it was a church, money needed to fix it, but issues, affordability, redevelopment (since it is close to the street, any redevelopment could impact that building).

Current uses of the space include various band groups, CRHP, ALPHA, Faith Formation, gym, Sacred Heart's Mission collection, youth ministry events, AA meetings, Sisters of the Heart Intercessory prayer group, and Boy/Girl scout meetings/activities.

Ministry Center and the historical piece – The SJB Catholic Cemetery and the SJB catholic church (ministry center) are already on the list for Howard of historical sites to see. SJB does not have the historical designation yet but it is something Dan T is going to check into along with what it means if it is designated as a historical site. A suggestion was made to contract some churches in the Brussels area as they may have some insight on it.

Fr anticipates another meeting with that same group. Then, in dialogue with Dan, present some renderings that are feasible to bring the SWOT together. There were suggestions to look at changing the name of it from Ministry Center to something else that would be more meaningful.

Communication: Mary Hanson shared the Campaign Cabinet is responsible for sending communication to the parish. That will start soon with information re: the HVAC for the school. The Ministry Center will be shared throughout various pieces of communication. Knowing the heat to the Ministry Center gets cut off once the school HVAC gets replaced, it makes the Ministry Center unusable next winter since the HVAC systems won't be linked once the school's gets fixed. For the capital campaign, \$1m was indicated to revitalize the Ministry Center. A suggestion was to have a designated email for people to send questions to.

□ PBPG & Campaign Cabinet updates Diana 7:35-7:45

Campaign – Kelly Williams has been prayerfully designated as the campaign spoke person. On 12/1/20 the Value Engineers and the Campaign Cabinet met. There was a presentation on the HVAC for the school, but they also discussed the Ministry Center.

The Campaign Cabinet then met as a group to share their understanding of what they heard at the joint meeting. The project communication details are on Google Drive. Each project will have a succinct message that will be streamlined to assist parishioners with hearing the same message. They also discussed having a one-page document for each project that answers the questions parishioners are asking. E.g. why would we put money into the Ministry Center. Kayla will be pulling all the information together. The rollout for communication is:

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- HVAC on 12/19/20 and 12/20/20
- Gathering space and new parish offices on 1/23/21 and 1/24/21. Catholic school's week begins on 1/31/21 and goes for seven days. Suggestion was to possible tie in the school offices and school rooms in with the January communication versus the February communication.
- School offices and school rooms on 2/20/21 and 2/21/21

PBPG: They hosted Holy Hour on 11/19/20. Prior to Holy Hour they prayed the rosary. During Holy Hour The Surrender Novena prayer was explained and recited. They will continue to have the cards available to parishioners. Suggestion was to have them available at the Christmas masses. The PBPG is asking for campaign meeting dates so they can pray over the meeting (remote). The next Holy Hour they will be hosting will be on 12/17/20 – details to come.

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| □ Liaison updates | All | 7:45-7:55 |
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- Health and Wellness – Dianna met with Sarah W to discuss. They are thinking of changing the format based on what is happening in the community. They will table this committee until after the first of the year. At that time, they will be talking to people in our parish that are in the health care field to lead the committee.

Sight Advisory Committee (Michelle N) – Typically the Packer booth brings in approx \$30,000 but with the pandemic there will be no Packer booth. That money supports all SJB sports, prayer group and various other things such as the cost of the buses. The online auction was a huge success. Even though the school obligation for Grace is encouraged and not required, SJB is able to pay it. Reminder to buy calendar raffle tickets. A suggest was to sell them during Scrip for those that can't get to the office during their hours.

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| □ Closing Prayer | Michelle N | 7:55 – 8:00 |
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Next Meeting

January 14, 2021 | 6:30 – 8:00 | Narthex |

To Do's

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