

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes May 31st, 2016

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Dave Wetzel

Members present: Fr. Brendan Manson, Terry Callahan, Christa Crafts, Milton Tobar, Estrella Villafranca-Ruiz, Lesley Grant, Carol Lavigne, Rosa Ceja, Gary Tucker, Maria Mendoza, Marc Mastromonico and Dave Wetzel.

Members absent: Christa Crafts and Bob Smart

Faith Sharing: Rosa shared a reading from Luke 1:39-56.

- **May 3rd Minutes were not presented for approval.**
- **PC New Additional Member Introduction:**
 - Daniel Eckel introduced himself and shared about his faith and his involvement with youth.
- **Candidate Review** -PC Team discussed and made a decision to accept Dan as our new PC member.
- **Summary of candidate terms-** Emily, Christa, Rosa and David are ending their term this year. Terry, Milton, Estrella, Lesley, Carol, Gary, Maria, Marc and Bob are staying
- **Schedule July Meeting**
 - PC members decided on Wednesday, July 20th. (Meeting subsequently moved to 7/27.) David is to follow up via email.
 - This meeting will also include our end of the year potluck. Leslie volunteered to host the potluck at her house. More information to come via email.

Pastor's Comments

- Stewardship : A Life of Joy and Gratitude
 - PSA Update - summary \$230K - 250K pledges - There is an increase of families
 - drafting the "thank you" and "if you haven't participated..."
 - Outreach council - filtering through the "asks" - table outside for parishioners to sign up
 - Corazón - May 14th -Tijuana - life changing experience to help improve their community. May have another trip scheduled in the Fall and perhaps one on the Spring. Would be nice to get other parishes involved.
 - Kids around the world and Corazón - would be a good idea to do these two in collaboration with another parish.
 - Month of June - focusing on prayer - focusing on Mary - pray for SPA ministry
- A House of Prayer and a House of the Poor
 - Pentecost - Ten people were confirmed
 - Parish school integration with Hispanic community - bringing communities together
 - FAM Prayer & Service - Proud to see the work of the Holy Spirit - First Friday during adoration in church, homeless people were also being served in the hall. Parishioners are taking ownership of their faith.
 - Faith formation - Over 500 parishioners received sacraments (Communion, Baptisms, confirmation)
 - Father Achilles coming in July, but this may be his last visit. Discussion continued exploring the idea that a new project is appropriate possibly with a long range (10 years) plan. Fr. Brendan is open to new ideas.

- Faith sharing groups –about 100 people sharing together in homes currently.
- Integration: One parish, church, chapel and school
 - Fiesta - Attendance went up. A great way for families to gather together and invite non-parishioners. Ten thousand dollars goes back to our church. Seven thousand from Country Store.
 - Sister Sue Dunning has been elected to a leadership role at the Sisters of Saint Joseph. May not be able to replace her. Perhaps other people can help out with some of her duties.
 - Parking across the street will not be available for San Felipe de Jesus starting July. It will be hard for parishioners to park for the 10:00 AM Sunday mass. Parking for parents of Monday and Tuesday's faith formation students is also going to be a challenge.
 - Spanish/English faith formation - A discussion took place on whether we need to continue providing faith formation in Spanish. The goal is to have children know about God and make Him part of children's lives.
 - It is important to remind our parishioners during School events that we have a chapel where we can hold events as well.
 - Annual Gala – Team members to email names of people to Fr. Brendan (who could be helpful in getting organized) – Still in idea and discussion phase.
 - Parish Census – It should be our goal to find out who our parishioners are. We have a great volunteer base. We continue to discuss ways to complete a census and can further pursue the topic if need for one becomes pressing.
 - Refugee awareness - Sisters of Saint Joseph helping a Syrian family. Refugees in San Diego. What can we do to help?
 - Invite Gloria Dei church to July 4th on the Bluff

Round Table:

- School construction - wall in going up to create another class.

Closing prayer provided by Rosa Ceja

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Rosa Ceja.