

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes February 2, 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, Bob Smart, Gary Tucker, Maria Mendoza, and Dave Wetzel.

Members absent: Marc Mastromonico and Rosa Ceja

Faith Sharing: Bob Smart shared a reading from The Magnificat.

Minutes approved from the 12/01/15 Meeting.

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- **Charisms workshop:**
 - A big success.
 - 147 attendees.
 - One on one follow up are in process.
 - Will also be done in Spanish
 - It is already included as part of the RCIA program
- **Men's Retreat:**
 - Dave Wetzel reported that the retreat was very good
 - Of approximately 90 attendees, 50 were from St. Edward
 - Several also from Mission San Juan and Our Lady of Fatima
 - Need to get more young men to attend
- Terry Callahan reported that the **Faith Sharing Movement** is growing well. The organization is based strictly upon volunteers and voluntary participation.
- **Emily Thomas Council vacancy:** It was decided that rather than go through the temporary process this late in the year, that we would include the replacement for this seat to be handled in July with the other seats that will be coming available. Fr. Brendan said that he would like to open it up to the Parish at that time.



Pastor's Comments

- **PSA:**
 - Received many positive responses to the Sunday presentations.
 - Barbara Belavic is tracking and reporting on the number of participants as well as contributions and pledges
 - Dave proposed writing a message that could be distributed to each of the Parish ministries heads for their distribution to their groups which would encourage widespread participation in the PSA
 - School children will also be participating by pledging prayers for the causes of the PSA.

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- Annual school appeal by Dr. Muzzy was successful
- **Lent**
 - The theme is “Benevo-Lent” during this year of Mercy.
 - Silence and study of the Faith being the focus of reflection
 - Will use text-based daily reflections so all cell phones can receive them
 - Black books will be available
- **Kids Around the World:** Packing of food boxes open to everyone in Parish will be March 13.
- **Small Groups:** Liz Diorio is point person. Bulletin announcement has been running.
- **Endow:** San Felipe is supporting the program.
- **Christian Service/St. Vincent de Paul:**
 - Office hours will now be Mondays and Wednesdays with Fridays now covered by Family Assistance Ministries at San Felipe.
 - Reviewing the application of resources by Christian Services to optimize.
 - As recently announced, FAM has taken in as many St. Edward’s volunteers as they can use.
- **Parish Outreach Committee**
 - The Committee is now ready to begin defining the protocol and to start the first budgeting cycle for the annual Outreach budget for 2016-2017.
- **Feast of San Felipe:** Will be celebrated by the Chapel this coming Friday
- **Tabernacle:** The new tabernacle was blessed by Bishop Vann in January; was his first ever Spanish Mass at St. Edward.
- **Parish School:** School children’s trip to Rome to sing before the Pope was a huge success.
- **“Formed” Website:** Website continues to grow and improve.

Round Table:

- Members are requested to remember that “The Young Messiah” will be released on March 11.

Closing prayer provided by Bob Smart

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Bob Smart.