



Saints Joachim & Anne and Shakopee Area Catholic School

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Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at 7 p.m.

Council Members Present: Reverend Erik Lundgren, Karina Gonzalez, Tom Dyrhaug, Helene Heaney, Dave Siwek, Tom Courchene, Yvonne Greenwald, Jose Borbonio, Youth Reps: Daniel Borbonio and Aly Thorn, and Trustees: Julie Welch and Jeff Thuringer

Appoint Tom Courchene as Parish Council Co-Chair

Opening Prayer by Father Erik Lundgren

Discuss Purpose and Goals of Parish Council: Dave Siwek

- The Parish Pastoral Council is a parish body required by Archdiocesan policy that the pastor consults concerning policies and major decisions in the governance of the local church. Such a council's role is consultative and always subject to the final authority of the pastor or bishop. The Parish Pastoral Council participates in the responsibility for the pastoral ministry and not just in the administration of the parish, and may serve as a visioning body to assist in parish strategic planning.

Introduction of New Hires for SJA/SACS:

- Brandi McColm: Director of Advancement & Engagement, parishioner, and SACS parent. Responsible for donor engagement, promotion of tithing, fundraising, stewardship, and management of the advancement office.
- Dan Casey: Director of Facilities oversees all parish facilities to ensure availability for parish and school ministries.

Follow-up on Festival Meeting:

- Announce the combination of festivals. SJA JACS JAM will be a 3-day festival August 16-18, 2019, held at our Marystown campus. Asking council to help make this transition a success.

Tithing:

- There are 2,607 registered families in our Parish.
- If every giving family increased their contribution by \$10/week during this campaign through Dec 31, we would grow collections by \$360,000.
- How do we encourage and send the message of tithing?

Upcoming Events:

- Candelaria, Mass with Bishop Cozzens, and Winterfest

Holy Week Liturgies:

- Majority of surveys stated not in favor of multilingual Mass.
- Fr. Erik and office will decide on Masses and schedules, most likely similar to last year.

Ministry Highlights:

- Highlight one or two parish events or ministries per meeting to help either by encouraging more involvement or praise the success.

Additional Comments by Trustee Jeff Thuringer

- An interested partnership group is looking at St. Mark's School for low-income housing. Discussion will continue around its viability.

Closing Prayer

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Submitted by Samantha Bawdon-Siwek