

Welcoming all to encounter Jesus, grow as disciples, reach out in faith and service.

Parish Pastoral Council Minutes

Thursday, September 5, 2024

Attendance:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fr Greg Roth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stephen Arugay |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fr Prosper Abotsi | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bev Canaday |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Heather Hickey (recording secretary) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bronwynn Cutts |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kirk Haan |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dean Schmidt (Chair) | <input type="checkbox"/> Andrew Hunt |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vacant (Vice Chair) | <input type="checkbox"/> Len Florizone |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robin Sander (Past Chair) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Don Griffith |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Mary Jayne Lozada |

Meeting called to order by 7:07pm

Introduction:

Opening prayer and discussion

Reflection from upcoming Sunday Gospel: Mark 7:31-37 "He has done all things well"

1. Approval of August minutes and matters arising from minutes

June action items were moved to the September meeting.

Action Item carryover: Heather will follow-up with Daniel about accessible parking signs

Action Item carryover: Heather will follow-up with CWL about Ethical coffee

Action item carryover: Fr Matthew to follow up on the two items from his last sanctuary planning meeting that he didn't have time to do before he left (he offered to complete them if PPC wanted):

1. Tell Abby about the results and see if she'd be willing to make final versions of the three designs.
2. He was also supposed to reach out to Cecilia's children about the possibility of moving her stained glass. (Cecilia was a parishioner and artist who designed the windows. Her children aren't parishioners, but he knows them. It was thought that having a head's up conversation with them about changing her mom's art would be respectful and hopefully head off potential hurt feelings.

Bronwynn motioned to approve August minutes. Robin seconded. Minutes approved.

2. Agenda review

- Add AGM to small goals

Main goal(s):

3. Sanctuary Discernment Discussion

- Repeat of the Sanctuary Planning Note (from the August meeting)
 - i. Sanctuary Changes Update: Thank you to everyone for your prayerful discernment and thoughtful feedback on the proposed concept designs for the sanctuary development. We have taken the time to read your responses and incorporate your feedback into our next steps. Reviewing the responses, it was clear that two conceptual designs were shown overall preference: "Anne and Joachim" and "Rose Window." The next steps for these designs will be for the artists to rework them, considering the constructive feedback from you and the parish, to reflect our collective vision better. An artist will also create a new, stripped-back conceptual design of how the sanctuary space might look with a less dramatic change while moving a second tabernacle into the sanctuary area.

Once all three designs are completed, they will all be rendered through the same program, giving them consistent visual quality. These three designs will then be presented to the parish for a second round of feedback. This round of feedback will also include a pricing estimate for each design, as this may influence parishioners' thoughts and decisions. If you have any questions or concerns about the sanctuary development process, please do not hesitate to contact any member of the Sanctuary Committee.

- Fr. Greg is working on going through with the evaluations.
- **Action Item: Fr. Greg still needs to meet with the Sanctuary Planning Team.**
- Fr. Greg received a letter from a parishioner requesting him to read at this meeting. The letter recommended having a transparent vote on whether to make no changes is an option. Wants cost to be clearly defined. Fr. Greg intends to meet with the person personally to get more feedback.
- The Sanctuary Planning Team process already plans to address the parishioner's letter concerns in the discernment process.
 - i. Principles for Sanctuary Changes:
 1. Beautiful
 2. Fit the Space / Honour the Past
 3. Sacred & Inspiring
 4. Create Unity
 5. Financially sound

Smaller goal(s):

4. Vice Chair
 - Vacant position as of now. The position is a three-year commitment (Vice Chair, Chair, and Past-Chair)
 - Position includes meeting with Fr and the Chair to plan meetings and to run the meeting if the chair is not available.
 - **Action Item: Heather will update the PPC terms**
 - **Action Item: All PPC Members review their PPC term and whether they'll be renewing for a second term and whether they'd want to be Vice Chair.**
5. Recording Homilies
 - Potentially recording both homilies each week. Request to get both priest homilies.
 - Fr Greg is meeting with Jordan Ritcher to talk about sound stuff.

Update(s):

6. Fr. Greg Pastor of 2 parishes St. Anne's and Sts-Martyrs-Canadiens (CM)
 - Currently, Fr Greg is at CM for 11:00 am Mass on Sundays, so he has not yet been to St Anne's for that time.
 - Fr Greg is working to create a schedule with CM so it changes month-to-month. For example, September CM at 11 and October at 9:30 am. That way, he can come to 11 am Mass at St Anne's every other month. It is still a work in progress.
 7. Staff Trip to Detroit
 - The St Anne's Staff is going to Detroit for one week in October (Oct 21-25) to work with Fr John Ricardo (Rescue Project, Acts 29) at a leadership summit.
 - The trip was approved by the finance council last year.
 8. Refugee Sponsorship
 - A new refugee is coming on September 10th. His name is Namir.
 - The majority of financial backing comes from family members who are already in Canada.
 - The Refugee Committee is working with him.
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9. AGM Update

- We need to have two different AGMS. Parish one and one “board of directors” one with the bishop.
- The PPC delegate for the Bishop AGM is Bronwynn Cutts (along with Fr. Greg and someone from the finance council). The bishop AGM is more of a legality. They will book that separately.
- The parish AGM has always been in May. However, we want to promote it early to attract more attendees.

10. January Meeting

- Move January meeting to January 9th (instead of Jan 2)
- Action Item: Heather will post January meeting date change to the bulletin board

Closing

11. Action items review

Carryover Action items:

Action Item 1: Heather will follow up with Daniel about accessible parking signs.

Action Item 2: Heather will follow up with CWL about Ethical coffee.

Action item 3: Fr Matthew to follow up on the two items from his last sanctuary planning meeting that he didn't have time to do before.

New Action Items:

Action Item: Heather will update the PPC terms.

Action Item: All PPC Members review their PPC term, whether they'll be renewing for a second term and whether they'd want to be Vice Chair.

Action Item: Fr. Greg still needs to meet with the Sanctuary Planning Team.

Action Item: Book Parish AGM early in Spring.

Action Item: Heather will post the January meeting date change to the bulletin board

12. Closing Prayer

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm

Mass Attendance Tracker

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
January	861	924		376	655	702
February	841	934		502	623	815
March	938	726		517	717	758
April	1061			663	788	820
May	925			533	736	757
June	895			542	656	716
July	762		372	461	514	611
August	762		441	462	576	651
September	857		461	483	684	
October	966		421	591	695	
November	934		469	596	726	
December	943.8		517	816	747	
Average	895	861	447	545	676	732

