



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

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 2, 2023 7:07 p.m. CST

Meeting Location: KCWL Forum: In-person meeting

Attending		Regrets
Pastoral Council Members		Members
Father Matthew, Pastor	Heather Hickey, recording secretary	Chad Sawatsky
Robin Sander, Vice-Chair	Don Griffith	Bronwynn Cutts, Chair
Reylan Lozada	Dean Schmidt	Jhoana Bernarte
Len Florizone		Val Stone
Pastoral Council Resources and Guests		Resources
None.		

1. Opening Prayer

Fr Matthew led a reflection on the upcoming Sunday Gospel

2. Agenda Review

The Vice Chair brought forward the decision item to approve the Draft Dec 1, 2022 Minutes, as presented. The motion was duly moved and seconded. The vote was concluded as all in favour with no abstentions or objections and carried as unanimous. The motion was approved.

3. Approval of Minutes and Matters Arising from the Minutes

The motion to approve the agenda moved and seconded. The vote was concluded as all in favour with no abstentions or objections and carried as unanimous. The motion was approved.

4. State of the Parish

Tabled for next meeting.

5. Diocesan Policy on Communion for the Sick

Diocese put a new policy and procedure about Communion for the Sick. Have those giving Communion be commissioned and sent forth. More sacredness and safeguarding the Eucharist. Means Fr Matthew will Commission those who want to do it. Also not bring Pyx in Communion line, but come to Fr Matthew after Mass. This is in particular for Sunday Mass.

ACTION ITEM: Heather will talk to Erin to make sure the Communion of the Sick prayer cards are up to date.

ACTION ITEM: Heather will let Communion Ministers know.

ACTION ITEM: Fr Matthew will put it in the bulletin, and then announce it at Mass.

6. Strategic Planning – Ongoing Vision Statement Activities

A discussion about the January PPC reading project – Every Catholic a Disciple Maker.

How are we called as a parish to Evangelize? There was a lively discussion about Small Groups, and the various opportunities within the parish to Reach Out in Faith. Practically speaking, what does this look



like? We need to build this context with our volunteers so that everything isn't staff led. Everyone at the parish needs to take ownership of the community and our Mission. Main themes: invitation, mentorship, discipleship, evangelization, secession planning.

ACTION ITEM: We will continue this discussion at our next meeting.

7. Church sanctuary discernment

"The big white wall" behind the sanctuary.

Tabernacle on the Sanctuary: The diocesan policy on Communion says that priest should bring the Eucharist out of the Tabernacle at Mass. Moving the Tabernacle to the Sanctuary would make this logistically work. Will there be a lot of backlash? Important to be very upfront and transparent about the process. Important that the broad parish community is involved in the process, so everyone feels heard and listened to. People need to know clearly that their opinions are important, but it isn't a "vote" so that people don't feel ignored. Fr Matthew asked each member whether they were interested in pursuing this as a discernment. There was no opposition. Members wanted the greater parish consulted.

ACTION ITEM: Len and Dean will meet before the next meeting to create a proposed discernment process for this decision.

8. Other Business

a. Parish Restructuring from Diocese.

New way: Each parish would be individually owned cooperation. Own governing authority board. The AGM would be more formal with more legal ground. Fr Matthew briefly discussed that this change is coming to the diocese.

Old way: Parishes are "owned" by Bishop.

9. Action Items Review & Next Meeting

- a. Add to the next agenda: Terms of PPC members coming to an end.
- b. Next Meeting Thursday, March 2, 2023 – Dean cannot make it.

10. Closing Prayer

Meeting adjourned at 9:08pm