

## **St. Paul the Apostle Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes November 19, 2018**

**Attendees:** Fr. Yamid Blanco, Alison Donovan, Rick Peltier, Steve Morelli, Mike Chuchara, Jack Johnston, Randy Schlicht, Diane Ingalsbe, Tony Noll, Kim Leslie, Joan Walter, Mike Delaney, Kristina Knesting, Nolan Tremelling

### **Opening Prayer**

**October Minutes** – Approved with one correction, Diane Ingalsbe was added to list of attendees

### **Fr. Yamid's Report:**

Fr. Yamid reported on the “Amazing Parish Institute”. It was attended by Father, with Amy Wallschlaeger and Phyllis Johnson representing St. Paul and two people from St. Louis also attending. The focus of the first session was the Mission of Parish. The group will oversee efforts on ways to improve everything. Fr. Yamid thanked everyone who helped with the Mass of Remembrance. He thought it went very smoothly and was really well received by the families. Father reported that he wants to start a new practice for the Childrens Liturgy of the Word. Instead of making a pulpit announcement for the kids to go to the gathering space, Father will call them up to the altar and will give one of them the Book and another the Cross and they can then proceed, as a group to the gathering space. Father wants to move the Eucharist Adoration to the first Saturday of the month. It will be from 10:00am to 3:00pm, with the Holy Hour from 2:00pm to 3:00pm. We will begin the change December 1<sup>st</sup>. Father thanked Rick Peltier for his presentation of the Financial Report to the entire Parish community from the pulpit. Father welcomed Mike Chuchara.

**Mike Chuchara** gave a quick update. Stewardship dollars are down about \$10k to budget. There was a Legacy Donors luncheon which was hosted by Gary Meier. Gary did a good job with the event. Regarding the rezoning request of the Emmertsen Rd. property, a decision is due in early December. The Sienna Schools funding is still short to budget. Mike said we will be doing a Spring Envelope campaign to make up the shortfall.

**Steve Morelli** addressed the group regarding Stewardship. While the Stewardship message has been “Time, Talent and Treasure”, we need to focus on Treasure in 2019. Steve stated that while there is no financial emergency now, the Stewardship contributions continue to decline. One possible idea was put forth to do a Holiday envelope campaign. But the real issue right now is the need to rebuild the Stewardship Committee. Gary Meier was a one person committee and he is no longer going to take on Stewardship by himself. Steve suggested that we start recruitment immediately. We can do a bulletin insert, follow up bulletin announcements and a pulpit request, possibly presented by Gary Meier.

**Committee Minutes Update:** Joan Walter and some others requested more updates and info on the Sienna Schools. Rick Peltier stated that he would contact Brenda White and ask her about speaking to the parish community, probably in March.

**Alison Donovan:** Alison reiterated the need to nail down the names representing at the Multi Parish Ministry Institute. The first session is in February. Also, Alison initiated discussion about any recommended changes to the Council Norms. My apologies but at that point is where my notes abruptly end with Changes? No Changes? No further detail.

**Closing Prayer: Fr. Yamid**

Respectfully submitted,  
Jack Johnston