



## Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Dec 13, 2022

**Time:** 7:00PM

**Location:** In Person and Zoom

<b>Presider</b>	Teri Asiala					
<b>Note Taker</b>	Teri Asiala					
<b>PPC Members</b>	Amos, Matthew	X	Asiala, Teri	X	Rivera, Lourdes	
	Capecchi, John	X	Coelho, Sonya	X	Heasley, Marymartha	X
	Deb Stadt	X	Jim Cady	X	Dan Furey	X
	Jonathan Amos	X	Cara Barone	X		
<b>Pastor</b>	Connelly, Father Joe	X				
<b>Administrator</b>	Farrell, Denny	X				
<b>Trustees</b>	Larson, Greg		Pitts, Sue	X		
<b>Guests/Staff</b>	Deacon Mike	X				

## Agenda Topics

### Welcome and Prayer

Denny opened the meeting with a stewardship prayer

### Approval of November minutes

Minutes were approved by the PPC members

### PPC Membership

- With the addition of our two new members (Deb and Cara) and the loss of Amy, we are now at a PPC membership count of 11. We will postpone the commission assignments until Father Joe evaluates our current commission structure.
- Jim Cady will take over as PPC Chair effective in January and Sonya has agreed to be the vice chair. As a reminder the following are responsibilities of chair and vice chair:
  - PPC Chair – organizes PPC monthly meetings and sends agenda
  - PPC Chair – organizes leadership meeting to set PPC agenda



- Vice Chair – takes minutes, gets approval from PPC Chair, Denny and Father, publishes them to full PPC, sends to Carla for web site; maintains documents in the Dropbox
  - Vice Chair – maintains and publishes the Parking Lot list
- We had discussion regarding an update to a 3-ring binder that used to be distributed to the PPC members. Denny has a copy and Teri will review.

### **Input from Parishioners**

No input from parishioners

### **Administrator Update - Denny**

- JOC Update – Suzanne and 5 members of the JOC Commission have resigned. Denny is assuming leadership for now and a search has started for a new JOC Director to replace Suzanne. Denny is looking for parishioners to take over the volunteer leadership JOC roles.
- Stewardship Update – currently at 600 responses compared to 680 at this time last year and a goal of 900 responses. Financial objective of \$1.3M and we are currently at \$1M.
- Engagement time and talent forms – well short of number of volunteer sign ups we want to have. Working on improving the process by which we get back to parishioners who volunteer. We have some comments coming in that we are not following up on the forms.
- Sister Parish Update – There is a meeting to be held next week between the finance commission and representatives of the sister parish commission. They will discuss the GA relationship and how best to support St Rita's.
- New parish directory – One last date for pictures. Hoping to get to 300 parishioner families participating.
- Cemetery/GA Grounds – Denny has received proposals from all three firms doing preliminary site plans on using the GA property for cemetery and other purposes. Once we receive concept designs, we will then run those by FC and PPC as well as get parishioner input.
- Deanery update. Jim Cady has been participating in the Deanery meetings since Cami left the PPC and he will continue as we get additional information.
- Garden Update – working on a possible relationship with other parishes and the Urban HomeWorks to get additional volunteers and keep the food shelf garden going. Really need leadership as current leadership is aging out.
- Preparing for Heaven Seminar – will be held at GA and run by Dr Craig Svendsen from Health and Wellness Committee and Catholic Community Foundation on Saturday, February 4.

### **Old Business:**

- Long Range Strategic Plan – Father Joe asked that we all review the current LRSP docs that are on the GA Web site. Our intention will be to align the LRSP with the Synod initiatives laid out by the archbishop in his letter of Nov 20. We will review at the next meeting.

### **Status Update on priority items and parking lot items (see updates on attached parking lot)**

- Synod Update – Father Joe – there will be a meeting for Synod kick off held at GA on Jan 17<sup>th</sup> from 7-9. The GA team of 12 will then attend several weeks of classes on Tuesday nights. The plan as laid out by the archbishop has three parts: 1. First year implement small groups such as bible study, etc. 2. Eucharist/Mass and 3. Parental support.



- Adult Education – Teri/Father Joe/Lukas – we will align adult education with the Synod small group initiative by implementing Bible study groups, etc.
- Sunday Mass/Gathering for youth – Greg/Maria/Paul D – we are going to remove this from the initiatives as Paul has a great plan and supportive team functioning well
- Discipleship Practices Initiative – rolling into the Synod initiative
- Senior Angels/Retreads Reboot – Denny – Father has reached out to Blessed Sacrament Church and Presentation as they have a joint Senior group to ask if GA can join as well
- Family Ministry – Dan F- the first meeting was held since Thanksgiving and the team is working on the best format for meetings with the children. We discussed using the available rooms at GA for Home Schooling co-ops.
- Public Safety/Emergency Response Seminar – Jim C – GA will host a Threat Evaluation and Reporting (TERO) seminar on the morning of Feb 18<sup>th</sup>. Jim invited all to attend. Invitations are going out to churches, schools, etc. in the area to attend.

#### **Future Meeting Dates**

- Next PPC meeting – Jan 10th

**Adjournment prayer – Father Joe**