



St. John Bosco Pastoral Council – Meeting Minutes

October 26, 2021

6:00 PM beginning of Presentation from Evangelical Catholics by Deacon Green from Holy Family in Stow.

The meeting opened at 7:00 pm - Dan Zawadzki led us in prayer.

- Parish Council had a unanimous decision to bring the Evangelical Catholics program to Saint John Bosco. Fr. Matt will bring this to the finance council. Parish Council would consider starting the program on Easter weekend. The Lowest level was suggested for “getting our feet wet.”

The minutes from the September 28, 2021 meeting were approved.

Donut Sunday / Ministry Fair – November 7th hosted by Stewardship Committee:

- Ministry Fair weekend November 6 & 7 after each Mass

Ministry Updates:

Stewardship – Marianne Brooks

- Looking forward to ministry fair, donut Sunday, brag about what you have.

Spiritual Development – Jan Bacher

- Just finished Hope to Die, Understanding the Christian meaning of Death. Free books still available from Zabor funeral home.
- 15-18 people read book and had good discussion
- Advent showing St. Joseph movie from FORMED as a way to close out the year of St. Joseph.
- Instead of one-time event for Advent, the committee would like to do something each week because be able to touch everyone in the parish.

Evangelization – Jack McLaughlin

- Say the word evangelize and people get afraid.
- Promote as not evangelization but as people coming to learn how to deal with people and then going home to neighbor, son etc. and spread the word

Holy Name – Mary Fackler

- Guest speaker from Cornerstone of Hope on November 11

- Bishop Award Dinner on Oct 31st St. Albert the Great
- Memorial mass Nov 2nd Assumption at 7pm .

El Salvador – Richelle Gnezda

- Nothing new

Generations – Andrea

- Pumpkin Carving event was very successful
- Carved a pumpkin, snuck in a prayer and captured 6 more people that would like to learn more about the Generations group and be part
- Talk about making this Annual tradition the Sunday before Halloween.
- Next event: Nov 14th (Sunday) St. Stanislaus parish for Mass and after will have a tour of sanctuary
- Crèche display coming up in December 19th, Bambino Sunday after the 11 Mass in BT

Pathways to Hope – Fr. Matt

- Book read on retreat - BE HEALED Dr. Bob Schuchts –could set the direction for Pathways to Hope.
- Taize went well.

Pastor's Report – Fr. Matt Byrne

- Heart of Shepherd Campaign wraps up this weekend
- Stewardship weekend and Commitment Weekend
- 300K goal 84% has been Pledged even before the commitment weekend. We should then exceed the 300K goal and have ½ of that coming back to the Parish. Up to 200K coming back to the Parish for capital improvement account.
- Covid protocol concerns. Strongly encouraged people to wear mask. Where are we at with comfort level of letting people do what they want. Would Sister Susan be able to get the data of breakdown watching/viewing. No immediate action at this time will be taken.
- Minutes from PC
- Fr. spoke to Fr. Damian Ference about participating in Pope Francis' Synod listening sessions, every diocese, and every church. Pope Francis wants us to be a more listening church. Stay tuned for more to come.
- Bishop Malesic has been meeting for Past 8 months meeting about school Catholic schools. They are looking for feedback from pastor and parish leaders. Jan Bacher is

representative from Parish Council and Mark Palko representative of Financial Council attending listening session in December.

- Prayers for vocation, this weekend will be from Dominique Gideon from Communion of Saints. he will give his vocations talk this weekend.

Old Business/New Business

- A pre-Mass Prayer for Vocations will start October 31, 2021. Fr. Matt will introduce why we are doing this. The prayer will be on the screen.

Action Items

- ***** Discuss chapters 12 – 14 & Conclusion, pages 142 – 196 of Return: How to Draw Your Child Back to Church. *Bringing people back to church – Book discussion could generate a plan so think about suggestions for a plan for our next meeting.
- Suggestions to follow up: gather a day to pray for lost or wandering family members. Schedule a day to increase our fasting and praying for them, as a parish bring names during Lent and put in a basket at the foot of the cross and pray for them throughout all of Lent.. Follow up by either Spiritual Development or Pathways of Hope.

On hold

- Parish Council membership – which ministries/organizations could be represented on council? Terms, nomination procedures will be discussed after Ministry Fair.
- Parish Pastoral Plan discussion – on hold

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm. Keith Zupancic provided the closing prayer.

The next scheduled meeting will be held November 23, 2021 at 7:00 pm

Opening Prayer: Jan Bacher Closing Prayer: Marianne Brooks