

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting
February 21, 2024
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Parish Mission Statement

We are a Eucharistic community committed to the teachings of Jesus. We embrace our call to love, to serve, and to build a just world.

Our Way of Proceeding

We are a Christian Community embodying the principles of Charity and Justice. Our deliberations presume the guidance of the Holy Spirit and through the same Spirit the good intentions of all of us.

Members in Attendance: Father Tom, Julie Tragon (zoom), Matt Nadalin, Sister Susan, Tom Yuhas, Barbara Bryd-Bennett (zoom), Cindy D'Alessandro, Nora Beach, Joyce Casey, Michael Cirino, Patty Dipre (zoom), Rosemary Herpel, Kelly Harmody (zoom), Joel Jira, Julianne Kurdila, Lin Mullin, John Tkac

Absent: David Miller, Helen Zabas, and Sophie Voudris

Approval of Minutes: Joel moved approval and Rosemary seconded the motion.

Liturgy of the Hours: Matt and Julianne

Parish on Mission: Father Tom, Chuck and Rita Maimburg

*Overview of trip to San Juan:

- ~1 bishop, 7 priests, 7 lay people, 8 members of Catholic Extension attended
- ~San Jose Church - oldest church under American flag; also went to the Cathedral
- ~Hurricane Maria 2017 - FEMA funding
- ~Earthquake 2020 - still working on getting funding
- ~Mission Church - Mass and visited school (damaged by both hurricane and earthquake); Masses outside under tent
- ~FEMA - can't clean up everything
- ~School - increased attendance
- ~Puerto Rican population has gone down; moved to Orlando
- ~Joyful people - people don't have much but are still willing to share what they have
- ~Convent - Motherhouse totally destroyed; they give support to the vulnerable
- ~San Matteo Parish: most impactful experience for the team who went there
- ...helps refugees, Father Olin (pastor) gets supplies and takes them to the Haitian people
- ...\$200 collected at Mass/week

...not getting government support
...250 anniversary of the Church
...\$3000 to get on boat, bring a loaf of bread, 3 - 5 day trip, holds 50 people (main reason to leave - get away from gangs and drug dealers)
...Father Olin gives hope to the people.
~Also visited another school (played basketball with the kids) and a children's home
~There aren't as many opportunities to help with a school as there are with a parish.
~Truck is 20 years old and car is 19 years old
~Our parish could assist with getting a vehicle to help carry supplies around the island to the people of Haiti.
~Campaign/Mission:
...Catholic Extension provides support, flyers, pictures of truck
...Father Snow from Gesu in Detroit would like to help too
*Joyce - ongoing assistance with gasoline
*Sister Susan - empowering the people to be on mission
*\$3000 check give to San Matteo through Catholic Extension
*Parish Pastoral Council is in favor of assisting Father Olin and San Matteo Parish - during Easter season, this fits in with theme of Resurrection and the Road to Emmaus:
...address their needs, not ours
...Father Olin and Catholic Extension will be in on our conversation
...Possibly, Father Olin can speak to us via video

Welcome Circle: Sister Susan

*Held the final meeting last Saturday
*Diocese of Cleveland - 1 of 5 in US, goal 20 circles/20 families (so far, brought over 17 families)
*No more circles - government funding has been shut down since October
*Welcome Corp is new way to go - self sufficient family, received \$5,500 from Resurrection, all adults working in area (full time and part time jobs), daughter goes to Lewis Elementary, family has transitioned, we have 2 year commitment and funds, 2 cars and 3 adults - they need another car

Pastoral Staff Update:

Matt:

*We walked through Holy Week
*Taize Prayer on March 18
*Music in the Sacred Space on March 21

Julie:

- *Sacramental prep - First Communion, Reconciliation, Confirmation candidates continue to prepare
- **A Night to Shine* video - it was awesome!

Sister Susan:

- *Social Justice - gather resources of all kinds, then roll them out in the bulletin
- *Speakers - civil discourse - after Easter

Father Tom:

- *Read the article John Tkac sent out in an email, *Church Without God*, as we will continue our discussion next month on Mass attendance
- *March 3, 4, and 5 - Mission with Michael Ruzicki - 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
- *Solon Mobile Pantry will move from Resurrection to the Islamic Center - starts in March; yesterday was the last day with us; they were with us about 2 years
- *Reestablish Parish Life Committee - social events - invite 25 people to a meeting to see if we can get this restarted (March 3 and 4)
- *Funeral planning workshop - March 20 from Noon to 2:00 p.m. (lunch included)
- *Finance Council Meeting - Monday - Legacy Society - invite parishioners to remember Resurrection in their will (The Wealth Exchange)
- *Buildings and Grounds Committee - 10 year plan for buildings south of us

Round Table Discussion: Tom

- *Lin - World in rough spot; what can I do in my own circle; take care of my own family and parish
- *Nora - Diocese offered 4 seminars - very interesting; "love one another" - looking for how we have these conversations; civilizeit.org (45 people attended seminar, 13 were from Resurrection); enjoyed visit to the Islamic Center
- *Barbara - Thank you for your prayers for Bruce
- *Kelly - Thank you to everyone who participated in *A Night to Shine*; it was overwhelming
- *Tom - *A Night to Shine* was like a Pentecost Friday; the Holy Spirit was working
- *Rosemary - Gave ashes at Ahuja, fantastic response, people were grateful
- *Mike - Congratulations on *A Night to Shine*
- *Joyce - Thank you, Kelly, for suggesting the idea of *A Night to Shine*; do we have a replacement for Chris (not yet - there will be a reception for him on Sunday, June 23 after the 9:00 Mass)

Closing Prayer: Joyce

Next Pastoral Council Meeting: Wednesday, March 20
Closing prayer for the March meeting: David