

SJCC Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes - June 5, 2019

The meeting opened with prayer, led by Matt Antonishak.

The June PPC consisted of the commissions and committees providing mid-year updates on their progress towards the Parish Plan action steps.

The 150th Jubilee Committee: The Committee recommended that SJCC continue the Craft Fairs past the 150th celebration as they were lucrative events with minimal effort. Continuing to sell SJCC “swag” will cause name recognition around Eldersburg/Sykesville. The committee also recommended that anyone reading mass announcements be enthusiastic, and recruiting more volunteers is necessary to lighten the workload of current volunteers. The Committee also recommended continuing the following events: Chicken BBQ, Homecoming Weekend, Change Fathers Day event to a FoundersFest in downtown Sykesville, Christian Unity Event, Festival of Lessons & Carols. Father Neville also commented the momentum created by the 150 hours of Adoration should be continued. **Implementation Committee:** The Committee is building an electronic portfolio, which will present to the PPC several artifacts from each commission that demonstrate the achievement of various action steps in the Parish Plan. The committee also offered input into the Lenten Companion, as well as reviewed requests for the special funding for initiatives related to the Plan. **Finance (FC):** The FC presented the proposed FY2020 Budget to the PPC. The PPC unanimously recommended the budget to Fr. Neville, which he accepted. Fr. Neville also thanked Lauren Glass, Karen Spivey and the Commission for their hard work. The FC conducted the Jubilee Campaign, which raised \$500,000 with a matching gift of \$250,000. As a result, the FC created a document outlining the use and purpose of monies collected for Youth Ministry. Finally, they worked with several ministries to develop their own budgets. **Service, Justice & Life (SJL):** SJL is working towards identifying a facilitator for each service ministry. For Action Step 2, Respecting Every Stage of Life made significant progress thanks to the committee. Racism and Human Trafficking are lacking a committee and energy, so no progress has been made. SJL is also working on choosing the 3 recipients of the Fall Sharing Fund collection. **Evangelization (EC):** The Welcome committee completed the parish visitations and developed recommendations to enhance welcoming at SJCC. The ChristLife series had approximately 85 people attend Discovering Christ and 30 people attend Following Christ. The EC was able to record faith testimonies for some SJCC media outlets. Approximately 80 people attended the latest Prayer Warrior event. Street Evangelization participated at a few Sykesville events, and the radio ministry broadcasted faith testimonies and had live broadcasts at local events. **Christian Formation (CFC):** The CFC worked with Mission staff to provide information from Formed.org for the Catechist meeting. They are looking to have catechists represented at CFC meetings. CFC members participated in the last three Family Gathering nights and presented Formed.org showing the various types of content and the SJCC content page. CFC members also attended the monthly welcome meetings to introduce new parishioners to Formed.org. **Liturgy (LC):** The LC initiated the Advent companion and participated in the Lenten companion. Gordon Truitt, a member of LC, has been writing the “Getting it Rite” series in the bulletin. The LC has also launched the Pentecost Initiative and has also put “Forms of Prayer” on the website. New hymnals were released with dedication plates, and there will be 4-weekend masses that will cover the four principal elements of the Eucharist. The LC has also put out information on how to become Eucharistic Minister or a Lector on the website. Sue Wilson made a request that Commissions utilize a standardized reporting form and that each Commission has the same mandate/direction going forward. **Facilities (FAC):** FAC conducted the Security and Life Safety Campus Review. They will create the Campus Operations plan by January 2020 and will train staff and volunteers in CPR, AED, Evacuation, and Lock-down procedures. **Pastor’s Report:** Fr. Neville thanked outgoing PPC members Frank Galli, Chris Richelderfer, Matt Antonishak, Carole Gauthier and Christy Sommerville for their years of service. Fr. Neville informed the PPC that Fr. Cris Jansen would not be returning to SJCC. Fr. Provincial is working on providing visiting priests to SJCC over the next few months. The Men’s Prison ministry is in desperate need of volunteers. The meeting was closed with prayer, led by Christy Sommerville.

Attendance: Fr. Neville O’Donohue, S.M., Christy Sommerville, Terry Morse, Laura Bird, Matt Antonishak, Carole Gauthier, Catherine Milstead, Chris Richelderfer, Jim Parker, Joselle Ruddle, Robert Muhl, Bob Bastress, Sharon Borcharding, Nick Pinto, Sue Wilson. Guests: Chris Patrick, Gwen Lilly, Karen Spivey, Bruce Baumgarten, Lauren Glass, Rachel Wandishin, Leigh Ann Gagnon, Tony Gioio, James Fetter, Vanessa Pinto, Megan Channing, Diane Bastress, Audrey Novak, Monica Kerr, Cathy Nusbaum

The next PPC meeting is Wednesday, September 4, 2019, at 7 PM in the Tonry Room. Parishioners are welcome to attend and bring comments or concerns during the Open Forum. Email council@saintjoseph.cc