

**All Saints Parish
Pastoral Council Meeting
26 October 2022 7:00 pm
Meeting Minutes**

In attendance: Fr. Jorge Ramirez, Matthew Montague (Chair), John Phillips (Vice Chair), Matthew Connolly, Chandler Benson, Tom Watts, Randy McDonald; absent: Julie Eisenhut, Christine Eisenhut, John Callister, Andra Benson, Julie Berens, Maureen Ronsvalle

1. **Opening Prayer** led by chair Matt Montague; Scripture Reading Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18 recited by John Phillips

a. Discussion re: praying with the gospels, daily prayer...

2. **Approval of Minutes, Revision of Agenda, Disclosure of Conflict of Interest:**

a. Minutes from 26Sep2022 meeting: approved with no corrections

b. Agenda revisions: none

c. Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest: no conflicts to disclose re: agenda items

i. Started process of signing forms with those in attendance

3. **Committee & Member Reports**

a. **B&G**

• Upcoming activity

• Leaves

• Baptismal font

• Lights towards back lot (timers have been updated)

b. **Liturgy**

i. Speaker Fr. Stephen Dominic Hayes, talking at various local churches 25-26Oct

ii. Dish to pass for All Saints Day 01Nov

iii. All Souls Day 06Nov – book of intentions, names of the deceased will be read

iv. 12Nov – rehearsals for 1st reconciliation (All Saints)

v. 19Nov – confessions at All Saints

vi. Thanksgiving Day mass at 9AM at Holy Cross

vii. 04Dec – Bishop Matano celebrating **10AM** mass at All Saints, with reception/lunch afterward

viii. Dec 8th – Solemnity of Immaculate Conception - 7PM mass & reception following

ix. Possibility of extended times for penance

x. Christmas Eve mass at 6PM

c. **Finance**

i. Have not met since last time

d. **Music**

- i. Just need more people

4. Pastors Report

- a. CMA campaign is currently at 18.5% of our goal, letter has been sent out
- b. A reminder will be sent out re: mortgage commitments
- c. Fr. George & Fr. Joel met re: joint coffee hour - targeting 15Jan2023, but may move it
- d. Lease for old church will be renewed for at least another year (thru Mar2024) – the first of their optional renewals available with the latest lease agreement.

5. Attendance Campaign

- a. Matt is working on a welcoming team / call list
- b. Upcoming events planned
- c. Social media? A good link to younger families, but need to ensure we have appropriate permissions and policies in place.
- d. Bible study ... Most likely after mass, starting 20Nov, with a focus on Advent, and option to continue after Christmas, if there is further interest.

6. Old Business

- a. Christine Montague – follow up re: helping refugee/immigrant families in Lansing. How would we plan to be involved? Winter clothing, perhaps? Transportation? Christine's contacts want us to offer items, but we aren't really sure what they need. May need a Social Ministry team or at least lead. Collaborate with the 'Blue Cabinets' and Catholic Charities. Matt C offered some insight on his family's experience down south – food pantry, etc. May need a dedicated sponsor?

7. New Business:

- a. Chandler mentioned a parish wide fantasy football league for next year

8. Future Meeting Schedule (tentative for now):

- a. 14Nov, 12Dec (at Holy Cross), 09Jan2023, 13Mar, 08May, 12Jun

9. Closing Prayer led by Chair