

Minutes of the Pastoral Council Meeting
Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish
March 17th, 2022

Present:	Msgr Brennan Alexis Finniss Emma McCabe Leah Tahiry Chris Haidon	Mike Lenahan Vanessa Valenzuela Bob McKeefrey Fr Matt Mary Ann Miller
Absent:	Rob Vella Gary Mitchell	Fr Bastian

Staff Member: Sr. Lucy Clynes, DW

- I. Prayers for the Church, for Lay Leadership in the Parish
- II. Meeting Minutes Approved from February 24
- III. Pastor's Remarks:

Msgr reminded the group that Father Matt would be leaving to go to Assumption and that Father Eric would be joining us at Our Lady Star of the Sea. Msgr also reminded the group that in a few weeks Father Bastian would be returning to India. Our Lady will also be welcoming Father Chris from Palm Coast.

Msgr Brennan spoke about the church's upcoming 50th anniversary in October and how the church is moving forward to plan for that. 5 couples should have received letters asking them to be on the committee. The details of what this celebration will be not set in stone but it will be a fun parish wide event.

Msgr mentioned how the Fish Fry was a great success and noted upcoming events:

March 18: Jo Paddy Event
March 30: Lenten Penance Service
April 7: Pastoral Council Meeting
April 11: Holy Week and Mission

Rejuvenation Updates are that all recommendations are in process of being reviewed and implemented. Msgr thanked everyone for their hard work on the council and for making new ideas possible.

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Committee Updates:

Mike, chair on the council, thanked everyone for their hard work and good progress so far.

Children, Youth, & Young Adults: Vanessa said their group is still meeting on some topics but they did have two recommendations.

The first recommendation to the council was to bring back class Mass once a year at Palmer with Msgr. If approved, they recommend trying to schedule at least the 2nd grade and 8th grade having one this year since they will be making Sacraments. The council asked if it would be one class per grade in the chapel or the whole grade, but this could be resolved later. The pastoral council recommended that this be recommended to Msgr.

The second recommendation this committee had was to bring back the nursery for the 9 AM and 11 AM mass on Sundays. The pastoral council recommended that this be recommended to Msgr.

Vanessa also had a question regarding Mass at Palmer. She asked if they had back up priests if a priest cannot make Mass, to which the answer is yes.

Communication: Alexis and her committee had a recommendation.

The recommendation from the communication committee is to have Our Lady hire someone part time as a graphic designer to do things such as web design, social media, and other design for the church. Alexis mentioned this would help us not only have better designs but improved communication from the heads of ministries. The pastoral council recommended that this be recommended to Msgr.

The pastoral council did talk about the appealing and easy to use website and graphics from the nearby church, JP II.

Ministry Improvement: Bob did have a hand out and said that his committee did decide to part ways with suggestions for ministry improvement that the church either already had or was working on. His committee did have a recommendation.

The recommendation was to bring the Elizabeth Ministry to our church, which supports pregnancy, infertility, miscarriages, adoption, and women in the parish. The pastoral council recommended that this be recommended to Msgr.

The Mass: Leah did have a hand out. She gave an update on how many things issues of the Mass committee have been accomplished by other committees.

Many parishioners asked for Mass time change but that is being addressed by a parish survey. At their last meeting, they discussed reopening the nursery, which was addressed by Vanessa's committee. The Mass committee has three major categories left to explore. Leah and her committee want to work with the communication committee on a few topics.

V. Final prayer, meeting ended.

Next Meeting: April 7