



Our Lady Star of the Sea

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

“Investigate, Consider Information, and Develop Recommendations”

June 22, 2023 - Meeting Minutes

Members present:

Monsignor Brennan	Terry Williams	Fr. Chris Knight
Michael Lenahan	Ben Luke	
Fr. Eric Stelzer	Vanessa Valenzuela	
Judy Slattery	Sr. Lucy Clynes	

Members Absent:

Leah Tahiry	Paul Jennings
Mary Ann Miller	Rob Vella

Agenda Items:

- 1. Opening Prayer entitled “A Wave of Rejuvenation Prayer”**
- 2. Review of May 25, 2023 Meeting Minutes**
 - Motion to accept meeting minutes, seconded, and approved unanimously.
- 3. Msgr. Brennan’s Parish Update**
 - The parish has celebrated first communions, confirmation, and graduation.
 - The Bishop will be visiting the parish in September where there will also be a day of family fun.
- 4. Notice from the Council Chairman**
 - A Nomination Committee will be established before the end of this meeting.
- 5. Committee Reports, presented by Council Chairman for council voting:**
 - Recommendation #1: Msgr. Brennan would select or appoint a stewardship representative in the parish.
 - Table discussed that the recommendation should be changed to link Recommendation #1 and #9 to read: “Select a person or representative to coordinate stewardship month.”
 - Vote: passed
 - Recommendation #2: An usher is to be at the back of the church after mass to suggest joining the parish by QR code, website, or social media.
 - Vote: passed



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- c. Recommendation #3: Have every parish ministry incorporate into their mission statement of how being part of their ministry provides stewardship opportunities for sharing their time and talents.
 - i. Vote: did not pass
- d. Recommendation #4: Consider promoting alternate means of sharing treasure other than through the regular collection basket.
 - i. Table decided to change the wording if “alternate” to “additional” to say: “Consider promoting **additional** means of sharing treasure other than through the regular collection basket.”
 - ii. Vote: passed
- e. Recommendation #5: Schedule a donut Sunday after the 9 and 11 o’clock service every week.
 - i. Vote: did not pass
- f. Recommendation #6: Add a weekly stewardship column in the bulletin written by clergy or designate explaining the weekly Gospel readings.
 - i. Vote: did not pass.
- g. Recommendation #7: Highlight one ministry every week with a mention from the pulpit, mention in the bulletin, and with information about that ministry on a table at the back of the church.
 - i. Vote: passed
- h. Recommendation #8: Schedule an annual appreciation dinner to highlight the work of good stewards in the parish whether they be adults’ routines.
 - i. Table discussed to change the wording to: “Schedule an annual appreciation dinner for those who serve in the ministry.”
 - ii. Vote: passed
- i. Recommendation #9: Create a stewardship month for the parish and consider staging events for that month.
 - i. Table discussed to link Recommendations #1 and #9 to read: “Select a person or representative to coordinate stewardship month.”
 - ii. Vote: passed

6. Nomination Committee

- a. Chairman reviewed status of current Pastoral Council members.
- b. Nominating Committee presented their information of those who were nominated and interviewed. The interview information was presented to Pastoral Council members and presented to Monsignor for his consideration.
- c. All person interviewed will be presented with a letter from OLSS advising them of their nomination status.

Msgr. closed the meeting with a prayer.

Next Meeting: TBD in Sept/Oct 2023.



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This meeting was adjourned at 6:59 pm