

Our Lady Star of the Sea Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

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Sept. 28, 2023 - Meeting Minutes

Members present:

Monsignor Brennan Fr. Chris Knight Sr. Lucy Clynes Deacon Don DeLorenzo

Michael Lenahen Paul Jennings Mary Ann Miller Jill Rattigan Leah Tahiry Ben Luke John Harrington James McGuire

<u>Members Absent</u>: Vanessa Valenzuela Lisa Frank

Terry Williams Rob Vella

Agenda Items:

- 1. Opening Prayer entitled "Eucharistic Revival Prayer"
- 2. Review of Agenda, Updated Member Roster contact details a. Sister Lucy to send out an updated member roster details
- 3. Msgr. Brennan's Parish Update
 - **a.** Review of OLSS Pastoral Council function based on *Making Parish Councils Pastoral* by Dr. Mark F. Fischer
- 4. Review of June 22, 2023 Meeting Minutes
 - **a.** Chair reported absent members have voted for approval by proxy.
 - **b.** Motion to accept meeting minutes, seconded, and approved unanimously.
- 5. Voting for Pastoral Council Officers (President, Vice President, Secretary) following an introduction from all members.
 - a. Chairperson: Michael Lenahen, elected
 - b. Vice Chair: Terry Williams, elected
 - c. Secretary: Ben Luke, elected
- 6. Review of Committees requested by Monsignor Brennan
 - a. Bylaws Committee
 - b. Evangelization of Various Parish Populations Committee
 - i. Review of Bishop Erik Pohlmeier's email invitation to the Making Missionary Disciples conference at the following Jacksonville Deaneries:
 - 1. Gainesville Deanery @ Queen of Peace, Oct 10, 23 12-3PM
 - 2. North Jax Deanery @ Sacred Heart, Oct 11, 23 12-3PM
 - 3. South Jax Deanery @ Assumption, Oct 25, 2-5PM
 - ii. Dr. Alex Groppe has a powerpoint from the director. May be shared after the Oct 25th Deanery session.

- c. Electronic Communications Committee from the previous pastoral council year.
 - Monsignor requests Ben Luke to chair that committee to continue the i. work of the Electronic Communications Committee. Monsignor indicated a big-picture approach to revamping our electronic communication efforts.

7. Review of Committee Reporting to the Council

- a. Chair outlined the committee member and committee chairperson's responsibilities involved in participating in a committee.
- 8. Msgr's review of the OLSS parish age demographics, relative to the Evangelization of Various Parish Populations Committee:
 - a. 0-11yrs: 793 g. 51-64yrs: 1722 d. 19-24yrs: 833 b. 12-14yrs: 309 e. 25-35yrs: 1142 h. 65-75yrs: 982 c. 15-18yrs: 509 f. 36-50yrs: 1388

composing 3000 families of approx. 8500 people.

9. Committee Participation

- a. **Bylaws** Committee Members
 - i. James McGuire, Michael Lenahen, Paul Jennings.
- b. Evangelization Committee Members
 - Leah Tahiry, Mary Ann Miller, Jill Rattigan, Ben Luke, John Harrington. i.
- c. Electronic Communications Committee Members
 - Ben Luke, James McGuire, Leah Tahiry, John Harrington, Mary Ann i. Miller, Jill Rattigan.

10. Pastoral Council Future Dates (all dates Thursdays, 6PM, office conference room)

- a. October 26, 2023
- b. November 16, 2023
- c. December, no meeting
- d. January 25, 2024
- e. February 22, 2024

11. General Topics

- a. Please advise the pastoral council chairman and your committee chairperson of any meeting absence as soon as possible.
- b. After the October 26th meeting, please attend the Welcome for Newcomers gathering in the Cultural Center.

12. Msgr. Remarks

- a. Summer is over and parish activity is ramping up again.
- b. Thanks to Mary Ann Miller for Family Fun Day. The Bishop celebrated mass and seemed to enjoy seeing the parish in action.
- c. Welcoming a new priest to our parish, Fr. Kurian Kollapalil.
- d. OLSS priests are on retreat next week.

- f. March 21, 2024
- g. April 25, 2024
- h. May 23, 2024
- i. June 20, 2024.

- i. 76+yrs: 825

13. Closed the meeting with a prayer.

Next Meeting: October 26, 2023. This meeting was adjourned at 6:57 pm