

**Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, November 30, 2022**  
**6:00 pm**  
**Parish Office**

**Pastoral Council Members**

| COMMISSION MEMBERS                             |                                |   |                            |   |                                  |   |
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| Term Expires                                   | Christian Education Commission |   | Social Concerns Commission |   | Worship and Spiritual Commission |   |
| <b>Apr. 2023</b>                               | Tina Smith                     | X | Mary McCush                | X | Kelly Rohrbach                   | X |
| <b>Apr. 2024</b>                               | Jill Birch                     | X | Dan Schuster               |   | Russell Gerling                  | X |
| <b>Apr. 2025</b>                               | Lauren Cowherd                 |   | Kathy Lang                 | X | Janet Thompson                   | X |
| OTHER MEMBERS                                  |                                |   |                            |   |                                  |   |
| Fr Mark Smith, Pastor                          |                                |   |                            | X |                                  |   |
| Theresa Krebs, Director of Religious Education |                                |   |                            | X |                                  |   |
| Abby Martin, Principal                         |                                |   |                            |   |                                  |   |
| Youth Representative Needed                    |                                |   |                            |   |                                  |   |

Call to Order – 6:00pm by President, Kelly Rohrbach

Opening Prayer:

Approval of minutes A motion made by Jill Birch and seconded by Kathy Lang to approve the minutes. Motion approved.

**Finance Council Report:** New bookkeeper, Debbie Kraus is working out well, taking on more responsibilities. Looking for ideas for reporting finances information in the bulletin. Looking into issues with driveway behind school. Need finance report every month at Pastoral Council meetings. Bishops’ office signed contract for elevator at the school. Should be done 7-2023. Offertory increased from last year.

**Principal’s Report**

- Self-Study committee progress, all committee met and wrapping up. Putting report together by Christmas. Meeting in March. Study being done for Pre-school attendance numbers next year.

**Commission Report:**

- Christian Education, meeting 12-6 to discuss parish mission. Discussing projects for next year.
- Social Concerns, hosted Fr Tolton senior class retreat breakfast, 69 students, 6 adults. Bell Ringing success.
- Worship and Spiritual

- Upcoming Advent Family Movie night, 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday night, 4 people reserved.

**Director of Religious Education: Theresa** Report: Electronic stewardship forms online at parish website. Gordon Jewelers running promotion for raise money for summer church programs. Penance Service 12-11 and first reconciliation same night. Totus Tuis going up to \$3000. Starting Confirmation class. Books for stewardship available. 106 boxes of Box of Joy.

**Pastor's Report: Fr. Mark**, Penance service 12-11, stewardship renewal, working on parish mission, working on idea to get Harvest House going, partnering with Catholic Charities. We are the largest church in town. Educating in our faith. Are we helping the poor enough? Turkey dinner a success. Donation challenge went over very well. Looking clear \$50,000. 12-18 church Christmas decorating. Open house at rectory. Bishop asked to come up with discernment plan. How to share priest, Totus tuis, etc. Waiting on feedback from the diocese. Father out of the parish for first 2 weeks of the year, Jan 2, 2023. Renewal opportunity.

#### **Old Business**

- Pastoral Plans, update
  - Featuring groups in the Parish
  - Reviving Parish potluck dinners, Parish building social time
- Increase evangelization efforts, outreach
- Turkey Dinner
  - update on final numbers and report; next year 50th anniversary
- Parish grounds upkeep

#### **New Business**

- Electronic stewardship forms
- Harvest House closure
- Christmas decorating, Music planning, etc.
- Deanery Ministry Discernment

**Next meeting:** Jan 25, 2023 @ 6pm

Closing Prayer:

Meeting Adjournment