

Blessed Sacrament Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

1/9/20, 6:30 PM, office conference room

Present: Father Tim Hoag, Cyndi Fisher, Dave Richardson, Jon Schaak, Amy Thompson, David DiMaria, Greg Forstner

Diocesan Mission: We, the diocese of Rapid City, through the power of the Holy Spirit, are called to attract and form intentional disciples who joyfully, boldly and lovingly proclaim and live the mission of Jesus Christ, leading to eternal life.

Opening Prayer- Fr. Tim

Review and approval of December minutes-Minutes were approved.

New Business:

Divine Renovation-Ch. 2

Considerations: How are we welcoming new members? What opportunities are there for people to become part of small groups and for adult learning?

*Baptism and first sacraments classes where parents meet others who are at the same stage. Bible studies during the day. Bible studies with Deacons in the evening. Formed subscription allows others to form groups of study on their own.

-consider formation of smaller communities of faith

-hospitality is the ministry with the fewest number of people

Reports:

Sunday meet & greet-

*What is happening with security volunteers?

-A security team is being put together who will attend all Masses. We also need to train others on medical emergencies. Catholic Mutual (insurance company) has a security protocol with recommendations. The automatic locks have the capacity of automatically locking after 15 minutes. Chris Grant is the POC if others would like to be involved. It will probably be a while before it's fully put together.

*Very happy with the priests and the increased reverence during Masses

*Someone wishes to donate their RV for sale or scrap-Will forward specifics to Ruth who will reach out. David volunteered to assess the value and condition.

*Enjoyed the decorations in the Church

*EM's 16 and 18 still require training

*Volume at Mass may be too loud at times

-Could we bring someone from hospitality (and/or other liturgical committee heads) to hear the problems that are encountered and consider the challenges?

-Could we do a survey of former volunteers to hear why they are no longer involved?

Old Business:

1. Parish Pledge-letters will go out to those with a tithing record as well as members who have no record. In-pew pledges will also occur at Masses one weekend. Thank you letters will go out to those who complete a pledge card. Etithing will also be encouraged.

-Financial Peace University is being offered at 2 parishes in the Diocese this year. And we hope to offer it at Blessed Sacrament next year.

2. Yellow name tags should be worn at weekends prior to Pastoral Council meetings

Closing Prayer: Fr. Tim