



# Blessed Sacrament Church

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## BLESSED SACRAMENT PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**4/2/2020, 6:30 PM, via Zoom video call**

**Father Tim Hoag, Father Adam Hofer, Leonard Hansen, Tim Callahan, Catherine Chicoine, Cyndi Fisher, Dave Richardson, Jon Schaak, Amy Thompson, David DiMaria, Trudy Oswald, Greg Forstner (Bold, italic=present)**

**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 – volunteer**

**Review and approval of minutes from previous meeting – March** March minutes were approved

### **New Business**

1. Divine Renovation – Chapter 5 up to page 123

Pastoral Council members shared their personal highlights of the reading

- Music was discussed. The Parish is exploring alternatives to our current missals that would result in a net-zero budget. Our current missals contain a lot of repetition of music and readings over the course of the cycle.
- Hospitality-It would be good to have more hospitality ministers. Follow up with new members and a personal welcoming committee existed in the past and would be good to implement again in the future.
- The length of Mass and the mentality we have to be finished with Mass in 1 hour was discussed. Our society spends much more time, without thought, to other secular events such as games and entertainment.
- The process for becoming a member of the Parish was discussed. New members should understand what is expected of an active member before the register.
- Blessed Sacrament is already implementing many book recommendations but should consider what more we can do.

2. Parish Pastoral Vision discussion

- Explore ways to more fully integrate the Catholic school families into the Parish community.
- We'll discuss more at next meeting.

3. Pastoral Council

- How many meetings can a member miss to remain on the Council?
- We need a Vice President. The constitution states elections are held in November. Because we have an open position, we can fill the position now. David was elected and accepted the position.

## Reports:

### 1. Ministry reports to discuss?

Fr. Tim and Fr. Adam asked for feedback regarding live streamed Masses and generally how members of Blessed Sacrament are faring during COVID-19.

Efforts to make worship more interactive and available while implementing all recommendations from the CDC:

- Adoration on Sundays and Thursdays is still available in the main chapel. You may sign up for a slot, but it's not mandatory. Because adoration is in the main chapel, social distancing is possible. Cameras are used to identify where parishioners are sitting so those areas may be properly cleaned.
- Palms and candles will be available via drive through. Holy water is available as well. The priests will provide recommendations for use of these items during Holy week services. They will also provide suggestions for making the services more interactive in our homes.
- Knights of Columbus drive through fish fry was a huge success. 160 fish meals were gone in 20 minutes. K of C then provided pancakes. They are increasing the number of meals to 400 this week.

## Old Business

1. Engaging Hispanic parishioners-*Tabled until next meeting.*
2. Active Catholic forms-*Tabled until next meeting*
3. Pastoral council serving Good Friday meal – changes now? *This will no longer take place due to COVID-19.*
4. Confirmation retreat volunteers needed 5-17-20, 8:30-5pm *This will no longer take place due to COVID-19.*
5. Assigning pastoral council liaisons for the individual ministries, *revisit at June meeting*
6. Adding pastoral council (link to meeting minutes, bullet points of key topics, general notation of comments brought forth) to bulletin-*Tabled until next meeting.*

## For May meeting:

- Read Divine Renovation through page 164. We will discuss the reading and use it to guide our thinking about the Pastoral Vision. We would like to place a time limit on the book discussion in order to allow time for other agenda items.
- Each pastoral council member should identify an aspect of the Parish Vision draft they would like to see Pastoral Council support in a specific way. Be prepared to discuss the Vision.

**June meeting 6-11-20, 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday, location to be determined**

**Closing Prayer – Fr. Adam**