

**Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, November 16, 2015**  
**West Room**

Attendees: Father Joe Marina, S.J.; Pastoral Council members Jack Schmitt (Chair), Adel O'Regan (Vice Chair), Stephen Alfieri, Kathleen Cagnina, Patricia Dahl, Phil Gutierrez, Bob Lepisko, David Pais, Guest: Father Sean Toole, S.J.

Absent members: Debbi Olley Murphy

1. Prayer: David Pais

2. Pastor's Report

- Welcome to Sean Toole, S. J. who joined our meeting.
- Welcome Table: The mission has entered into an agreement with a security company and they are providing two uniformed security officers (un-armed) to be at the Welcome Table. It seems that this went very well this past weekend with the gentlemen making a positive impact on both guests and volunteers.
- Update on Formation Institute via ISEL. George Witt, S.J. from the Jesuit Collaborative met with Pastor and members of ISEL. The hope is to create a training center for spiritual directors at Xavier.
- There is now a rack at the back of the church that has items related to Jesuit Spirituality available to parishioners.
- Several members of the Young Adult Group have stepped forward and are in the process of assuming leadership of the group.
- Fr. Marina sent out an invitation to those who participated in the Making All Things New program sponsored by the diocese inviting them to gather together. It seems that there was a positive response to this and they are now trying to find a date to meet.
- The West Side Deanery Project is continuing. December 1<sup>st</sup> is the next meeting. Xavier is scheduled to host January 14<sup>th</sup> and February 18<sup>th</sup> from 7-9 p.m. in the Mary Chapel.
- Sign posts have been ordered for the church.
- Annual Report is in its final stages and will be given to parishioners during the first Sunday in Advent.
- Feast of St. Francis Xavier will be celebrated 12/3/15 with a farewell party for Jacqui Falco afterwards.
- Sister Sheila Brosnan, SC will be preaching at the masses November 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Planning for Advent and the Year of Mercy is going well.
- Discussion of having some sort of Christmas celebration as a council during our next meeting.

2. Discussion of the movie *Spotlight* that focuses on the sex abuse scandal in the church in the Boston area took place. Various ways of supporting individuals who have seen the movie were discussed.

3. Pastoral Council Retreat

- January 29<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016
- Retreat planning team is in process
- Parish Wide Coffee Hour January 17<sup>th</sup> to get input from parishioners of issues that are of a concern to them.
- Possibility of Father Ed Quinnan, S. J. joining us for part of the retreat.

4. Unemployment Group:

- Phil Gutierrez shared about his visit with the parish unemployment group.

5. Update on Pastoral Council Priorities

- Ignatian Spirituality
- Liturgical Ministries

6. Pastoral Council Meetings:

- December meeting to be held on December 7<sup>th</sup>
- No January Meeting due to retreat
- February meeting will be February 22<sup>nd</sup>

7. Announcements:

- World AIDS Day will be celebrated on December 1<sup>st</sup> with a mass in the church.
- Inter-faith Service will be held on November 25<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at Judson Memorial Church.

8. Closing Prayer: David Pais