Church of St. Francis Xavier
Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, February 13, 2023 @ 6:30pm in the West Room & Zoom

Attendance:  Alan Ahles, Kristen Beckles, Ken Boller, Belinda Conway, Karen DeMasi,
Pat Egan, Susan Faggiani, Andrea Foley-Murphy, Michelle Jung, Todd Schmidt

Pastor’s Report
● Attendance & Donations
  ○ Sunday congregations seem larger, informal clicker count on an upcoming weekend.
  ○ Overall collections/donations are stable. Though the number of donors is down, the size of contributions is up.
● 17th St. School - Completing roof work Summer 2023, repointing occurring Spring/Summer.
● PC & Finance Council collaboration - awaiting additional donation suggestions.
  ○ Advanced donation to Jesuit Refugee Services - Middle East & North Africa (JRS MENA) in light of the earthquake in Turkey & Syria.
● New hire filling the Assistant Director of Business position starts at the end of February.

Reflections on 2/11 Ministries Retreat
● Consider extending time for more sharing of our smaller discussions with the larger group.
● Designate a person to monitor and facilitate technology for remote participants.
● Provide gluten free & vegan food options for next year.

Synodal Parish initiatives
● Eucharistic revival - desire for smaller gatherings, enthusiasm for Mass class.
● Laudato Si’ Action Platform (LSAP) - great appreciation for initial proposal at Ministries retreat, continuing work toward parish wide presentation.

Census Report
● In-person attendance is down 50% from pre-pandemic levels.
● We have fewer young people and new parishioners.
● Attendance at our live-streamed Masses (while critical to our ongoing parish life), does not compensate for the loss of in-person attendance.

Upcoming Events
● PC Wine & Cheese - Sat 3/18 after 5pm Mass
● Xavier Mission Gala - Sat 3/25 in Hurtado Hall
● PC Discernment - 1st Meeting - Sun 5/7 evening on Zoom
● PC Discernment - 2nd Meeting - Sun 5/21 evening on Zoom
● Introduction of New PC members - Sun 6/4 11:30 mass (PC Coffee & Donuts to follow)