

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)