 **Church of St. Francis Xavier Pastoral Council**

**October 10, 2023**

**ATTENDEES:** Fr. Ken Boller, Christina Amendolia, Alan Ahles, Kristen Beckles, Belinda Conway, Joel Dabu, Andrea Foley-Murphy, John Lucas, Larry Ruth, Todd Schmidt

**SECRETARY:** Susan Faggiani

**AGENDA**

1. **PASTOR’S REPORT**

* **Family Faith:** 109 enrolled students age pre-K through confirmation
* **RCIA:** 16 members, 10 unbaptized
* **Youth Group:** “Meet and Greet” with confirmation class; monthly interactions planned by Pablo Jimenez
* **Young Adults:** recent social and contemplative mass with 30 members in attendance
* **17th Street Project**: being completed, including addressing recent leaks after storms
* **Electrical Engineer**: will assess need for electrical upgrades. Engineer also asked to address recent lighting outages around the sanctuary when the Xavier complex was hit by lightning a few weeks ago
* **Communications Director**: Hiring Committee met with her to discuss aspirations, skills; Social Media presence more active since joining the staff; Info to be published on website/bulletin should be sent to MaryLennox Halfacre
* **Attendance**: Currently at approx. 850 vs. 1,200-1,300 pre-COVID levels; new census to be recorded third week of October.

1. **PASTORAL COUNCIL RETREAT FOLLOW-UP**

* Overall evaluations very good; Spiritual conversations went well
* Some issues with Jogues site; other possible sites to be investigated
* **Ministries Review**:
  + Individual ministries reviewed, including leadership, active/non-active/discontinued
  + Master spreadsheet to be updated, including how they communicate
  + Suggestion that all ministries be given an SFX email address
* **PC Priorities**: reviewed
* **PC Coffee/Wine and Cheese Events**: volunteers assigned

1. **SFX SYNODAL PARISH UPDATES AND INITIATIVES**

* **Synodal prayer** through October, then will return to the pledge for racial justice
* **Eucharistic Revival**:
  + Presentation by Fr. Peter Fink well received with approx. 60 attendees; microphone/acoustical challenges identified
  + Book Reading Group begins this week, leading up to presentation by Fr. John Baldovin on 10/29/23
* **Laudato Si**:
  + Energy audit being conducted
  + XHS Facilities Committee also interested in energy efficiencies and will partner with SFX
* **Young Adults**: Contemplative mass 1st Sunday each month; volunteering at Xavier Mission 3rd Sunday each month

1. **PROJECT UPDATES**

* **Ability and Inclusion:** 
  + Synodal prayer prepared in braille
  + Investigating feasibility of hymn text binder in braille
  + Reminder of hearing assisted devices in Main Church for parishioner use
* **Age to Age** 
  + To be reinvigorated by MaryLennox
  + Suggestion to include “Person in the Pew,” a 2-minute interview that highlights why parishioners are attracted to worshipping at SFX

1. **NEW BUSINESS**

* **Hurtado Hall Renovations:** still under discussion
* **Cardinal’s Appeal**
  + Assessment this year = $109,000
  + SFX usually meets about 60% of assessment

1. **ADJOURNMENT**: at 8:30 PM
2. **NEXT MEETING**: November 14, 2023, 6:30PM, SFX West Room