



Church of St. Francis Xavier Pastoral Council

November 14, 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

- **17th Street project:** being finalized. Scaffolding removed and punch list being addressed
- **Attendance:**
 - Currently at approx. 816 attendees (686 adults, 130 youth) vs. 1,200-1,300 pre-COVID
 - 40 daily mass attendees
 - 28-30 weddings
 - 113 baptisms
 - 20 First Communions
 - 19 Confirmations
 - 21 funerals
 - 110 Family Faith
 - 79 Lectors
 - 73 Eucharistic Ministers
 - 16 RCIA
- **Lighting:** formal proposal submitted for completion in early 2024; renovate current lighting board and assess possibility of adding LED lighting
- **Provincial Office visit:** Fr. Jim Casciotti visited the parish to observe activities and meet with various staff

2. SFX as Synodal Parish

- **Eucharistic Revival Steering Committee:**
 - **Calendar** set through next spring
 - **Adoration** will be added to Stations of the Cross during Lent
 - **Fr. Bryan Massingale** will lead a retreat in the spring
 - **Fr. Jim Miracky** will give a special presentation on the eucharist, date TBD
 - **Publicity** in the bulletin similar to Creation Corner
- **Brunch Ministry:**
 - Good discussions with continued assessment of pros and cons, balancing sensitivities, encouraging new participants to connect and build community, and standardizing set up for participation with other ministries

- **LSAP:**
 - **40% of goals in motion**
 - **Discussions with XHS** to partner in environmental improvements
- **Young Adults:** going well
 - Contemplative mass 1st Sunday of the month
 - Volunteering at Xavier Mission 3rd Sunday of the month
 - Social activities planned

3. Parish Census

- Scheduled for December 2nd and 3rd
- Pat Egan to do analysis
- Volunteers assigned for ambo announcements and assisting with census

4. Potential Initiatives

- **Bereavement**
 - Bereavement training program available through Parish Cluster
 - On-going program at Epiphany; will add contact information to bulletin
 - May assess needs through announcement in bulletin
- **Immigration**
 - A couple of parishioners have expressed interest in restarting an immigration ministry.
 - JRS Outreach Coordinator met with Belinda and two parishioners to discuss JRS work on immigration. It is a multi-layered work of prayer, advocacy, and accompaniment.
 - We will see if Xavier High School and Xavier Mission want to partner on this.

5. PROJECT UPDATES

- **Ability and Inclusion:**
 - Braille hymn project initiated with first 10 hymns, to be place in a binder available to visually impaired parishioners
- **Age to Age**
 - Trying to coordinate meeting with Michelle Jung to reinvigorate
- **Ministries Master**
 - Belinda to reach out to Ministry lead contacts to confirm activities, suggest use of SFX email

6. NEW BUSINESS

- **PC Coffee co-sponsored with Rosary Group 11/26/23**
- **Evolving Technology**
 - Who can champion?

7. **ADJOURNMENT:** at 8:30 PM

8. **NEXT MEETING:** December 12, 2023, 6:30PM, SFX West Room