



Church of St. Francis Xavier Pastoral Council (PC)

November 12, 2024

ATTENDEES: Fr. Ken Boller, Alan Ahles, Andrea Foley-Murphy, Belinda Conway, Jacob Brumfield, Janet Paist, John Lucas, Larry Ruth, Yago Cuesta

EXCUSED: Christina Amendolia

SECRETARY: Susan Faggiani

AGENDA

1. **OPENING PRAYER:** led by Jacob Brumfield
2. **PASTOR'S REPORT**
 - a. **Church lighting** still needs repairs. We are waiting for a bid from the sole source contractor to make the necessary repairs.
 - b. **Rental property:** repairs needed for a leaking roof caused by last contractor. The Archdiocese will work with tenant (Winston School) and contractor to review proposal and create timetable for repairs.
 - c. **Announcements at Mass:** now being made at the end of mass before the final blessing vs. by the cantor.
3. **PASTORAL COUNCIL RETREAT**
 - a. **Jesuit house** in Sea Bright, NJ visit and agreement reached that this will be an excellent location for the next PC retreat. Reservation made by Father Ken.
 - b. **PC Priorities Grid** Review:
 - **Mass Class:** Available XHS Chapel dates determined and will be shared with Father Ken and the PC.
 - **Veritas Training:** Contact Luz if interested.
 - **Young Adults:** Team to create a part-time job description for a minister to assist with this group.
 - **New Parishioner Welcome:** invite new parishioners to SFX events, such as coffees, wine and cheese, Brunch Ministry.

4. PROJECT UPDATES

- a. **Abilities Xavier:** Ableism presentation done in past; research opportunities for future presentations, possibly at the Ministry Retreat.
- b. **Celebration of Service: November 17, 2024 at 6PM in Keenan Commons:**
Volunteers to meet at 3pm for set up.
- c. **Ministries Fair:**
 - Held 11/3//24; turn out not as large as anticipated.
 - Evaluations to be sent out.
 - Flyers prepared for fair describing each ministry to be posted to the SFX website.
 - Virtual Ministries Fair to be held 11/13//24. MaryLennox will be asked to send out updated link through social media and Constant Contact.
 - Suggestion to hold next fair in Keenan Commons so all ministries can be together, perhaps like Brunch Ministry.
- d. **Name Tag Sunday:**
 - Well received but further mindfulness in engaging all of community needed.
 - Determine new name that communicates intent such as “Getting To Know You” or “Each By Name.”
 - Committee to research further.
- e. **Caregivers:**
 - Meeting regularly.
 - Still trying to determine how best to provide support for caregivers.
- f. **Immigration:**
 - The PC is very interested in re-creating a migrant ministry.
 - Zoom meeting to be held in early December to determine interest and develop a plan to move these efforts forward.
 - List of volunteer opportunities will be developed and publicized in the bulletin in the coming weeks.
- g. **Glossary Guidelines:** TBD

5. UPCOMING EVENTS

- a. **Annual Parish Census:** Weekend of December 7th and 8th.
- b. **Ministry Retreat:** 2/8/25.

6. **SYNODAL PARISH UPDATES:** PC will contact Synod Committee Chair to determine next steps in coordinating ongoing parish effort to be synodal.

7. NEW BUSINESS

- Discuss effective PC communication between meetings.

8. CLOSING PRAYER: led by Jacob Brumfield.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 8:30PM.

NEXT MEETING: December 10, 2024, 6:30PM, SFX West Room.