

**St. Anthony Pastoral Council Meeting**  
**July 8, 2017**  
**9:30 AM**

**Members Present:**

Bryan Gonzalez	Marco Balmaceda	Diana Malmaceda
Lynn Defino	Wendy Ogden	Andrea Rice
Eric Kofoed	Tim McDonald	Chris Corrice

**Non Voting Members Present:**

Melissa Garcia      Msgr Chiodo      Julie Konkol      Father Gehler

**Members Absent:** Nic Nigro      Karen Zenti      Suzanne Hejkel      Dave Miller

- **Welcome and Lauds –**
  - meeting began 9:30 AM
  - Msgr expressed his confidence / expectation that this group will do a good job in the planning.
- **Review / Approval of the Minutes**
  - Motion made by Wendy O. to waive the reading of the minutes. 2<sup>nd</sup> received by Lynn D. All approved.
  - Minutes were approved.
- **Spiritual Growth of the Parish – Msgr.**
  - Stated that he received thanks from the Bishop for the ‘revival’ of the parish.. Msgr has seen the ‘best / worst / in between. We need to work at greatness. Lots of needs to address and opportunities.
    - Question was asked what Bishop meant by revival. Answer was not sure. Could have been Diocesan Appeal related. But seen as ‘good news’ as the bishop usually isn’t too vocal
  - Stressed the importance of SCHOOL / EDUCATION / Relig Ed. What are we doing? Are we doing the best possible.
    - Mentioned there is some reluctance to look at. Some are frightened. Are things ½ empty or ½ full?
    - Talked about an article around the youth. By age 23, 80% are gone from the Catholic faith. By age 10, the majority of kids have ‘checked out’. Think of it more as a ‘fairy tale’. Family role in practicing the faith.
    - Catholic schools NEED HELP. Mentioned seeing maybe 20 kids in each of the masses. 335 in St. Anthony school and 150 in Relig Ed.
    - Our future (St. Anthony) IS THE CHILDREN. How do we make that future happen?
  - Talked about a flow chart of the church organization – what all falls under the ‘church’?
    - How do the church and school know each others needs and how we can help each other?
    - Part of building the bridge and the shared parish.
    - Discussion around the Board of Education
      - Should someone from the B of E be a non-voting member of this council and vice versa?
      - Maybe the two groups need to have an informal ‘get to know each other’ before getting into formal dialogue. Sort of a break the ice.
      - Talked about the structure of the B of E – there will be 3 openings occurring. Maybe now would be a good time to start building that new relationship.
      - All agreed that ‘school’ is a key need – our future / who will be the new ‘lifera’ of the church / school??? Embrace the school and RE.

- **History of the Parish effort**

- Mary Quinn is working on this. Father Dan provided an update.
- Father Dan provided copies of the work done to date for group to look at. Very impressive thus far.
- Additional interviews are lined up to obtain even more information.
- Discussion around how to 'formalize' the information. Publish
  - Trying to find a professional Archivist or Ancestrian
  - Check with the State Historical Society.
  - Check with the Diocese.

- **Review of Mission Statement (INPUT):**

**CURRENT:**

*"To fulfill God's will in our parish by becoming more fully a catalyst for spiritual renewal, a beacon directing others to the treasure trove of God's graces, a spiritual home inviting young and old to live, love, and learn the Catholic faith in a culture which is centered on the person of Jesus Christ."*

- Received a handout of the four proposed mission statements.
- PROPOSED NEW MISSION STATEMENT. Being reviewed.
  - ***"To make life-long disciples, baptized in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit and teaching them all aspects of the one holy, catholic, and apostolic church."***
- **ACTION ITEM** – each member to review the PROPOSED NEW mission and provide revised versions to Bryan. DUE BY AUGUST 9<sup>th</sup>.

- **Mass Times Discussion**

- Current Information
  - Sat 4:30 PM 75% full
  - Sun 7:00 AM ~100 people
  - Sun 8:30 AM 75% full
  - Sun 8:30 AM lower unsure
  - Sun 10:00 AM 75% full
  - Sun 11:30 AM near full
  - Sun 1:15 PM increasing
- Capacity in the main church is 400 people
- Subject was approached 1 year ago and received mixed reviews. What are the pros and cons of revisiting? We all want what is best for the life of the parish.
- A 1-year goal was to have all the masses in the main church.
- Believe need to cut one mass. Decrease from 7 to 6.
- A LOT OF DISCUSSION OCCURRED / A LOT OF OTHER THINGS TO CONSIDER
  - English / Spanish / Latin
  - Times of Day
  - Father Renaldo's schedule – Christ the King, St. Johns, St Anthony
  - Other parish items – Relg Ed, processions, etc.
- Mass time options presented by Msgr and discussed by the council:

<b>Option A</b>	<b>Option B</b>	<b>Option C</b>	<b>Option D</b>
Sat 4:00 PM	Sat 4:00 PM	Sat 4:00 PM	Sat 4:00 PM
Sun 7:00 AM	Sun 8:30 AM	Sun 7:30 AM	Sun 8:00 AM
Sun 9:00 AM	Sun 10:00 AM	Sun 9:00 AM	Sun 10:00 AM
Sun 11:00 AM	Sun 11:30 AM	Sun 11:00 AM	Sun 11:30 AM
Sun 1:15 PM	Sun 1:15 PM	Sun 1:15 PM	Sun 1:15 PM
Sun 5:00 PM	Sun 5:00 PM	Sun 5:00 PM	Sun 5:00 PM

- Variations of English / Spanish / Latin and mass times were discussed.
- 7 AM mass is very peaceful and quiet. Certain parishioners up early and prefer early mass.
- MSGR PROPOSAL after council discussion -- Leave mainly AS IS with couple of tweaks noted in **BOLD**.

▪ Sat	<b>4:00 PM</b>	English	Main Church
▪ Sun	7:00 AM	English	Main Church
▪ Sun	8:30 AM	English	Main Church
▪ Sun	10:00 AM	English	Main Church
▪ Sun	11:30 AM	English	Main Church
▪ Sun	1:15 PM	Spanish	Main Church
▪ Sun	<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Latin</b>	<b>Main Church</b>

- **Continue Shared Parish Discussion**

- Postponed until the next meeting.

- **Liturgy Committee Meetings and Content Presentation** – Eric Kofoed

- Goal – to assist in providing a more meaningful worship environment
- Committee aids in:
  - Planning the seasonal liturgies and ceremonies of the church year
  - Working with church decorations.
  - Coordinating the music – mass settings / hymns. Pat Civitate / Charlotte Hunkele
  - Training of Lectors. Michelle Belden
  - Training of Eucharistic Ministers. Michelle Belden
  - Training of Servers and MCs. Pat Connolly
- Meet two or three times during the year.
  - FEBRUARY – plan March thru June. Lent / Easter / Corp Christi / other feasts
  - JUNE – plan July thru November. Ordinary Time
  - OCTOBER – plan December thru Feb. Advent / Christmas / other
- Music –
  - Hymnals, psalm refrains, mass settings, mass schedules, etc.
  - Each mass ‘leader’ selects appropriate music each week and is empowered to choose the mass setting for time of year.
  - Groups try to combine for special mass occasions.

- **Review of Priorities & their Actualization**

- Communications Coordinator?
  - Melissa G and Father Dan are working on getting a ‘small committee’ together to evaluate the various communication methods. Not in budget currently for part-time person.

- **Concerns/Info about the Parish:**

- Corpus Christi event was very successful. Hispanic luncheon well attended.
- Upcoming event of Brats and Bocce @ Columbus Park

- **St Anthony Petitions**
  - No formal petitions were received. Asked to pray for Education.
  
- **Closing Prayer**

Meeting adjourned around 11:55 AM

NEXT MEETING: SAT SEPT 9th 9:30 AM – 12:00 PM