



**St. John the Baptist Catholic Church  
Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, November 21, 2019**

**PPC Members Present:** Bruce Batty, Kathy Catrone, Kevin Hartke, Judy Kleman Leshner, Bill Lewis, Dale Voisard, Judie McKitrick, Doug Schlagle, Teri Iverson, Mary Chafin and Fr. Marc Sherlock.

**Hospitality:** Judie McKitrick provided hospitality for the meeting.

**Adult Faith Formation:** Bill Lewis presented the adult faith formation.

Judy Kleman Leshner welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending, and the meeting was called to order at 7:15 pm.

**PPC Minutes:** Dale Voisard made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2019 meeting; seconded by Bruce Batty. Motion carried.

**Ministry Reports:**

**Lector Ministry:** Steve McCrillis spoke about the Lector Ministry. Steve has been a lector since 1988. There are 18 active lectors. Young people are rare as they start in high school and then leave for college. The training takes about an hour. It can be a struggle to fill all spots for holy days and holidays, it's challenging to keep up with all the services. Steve is currently working on an Advent schedule.

No second ministry report

**Liaison Reports:**

**Finance Council:** Norm Shearer reported for the Finance Committee. He provided a handout, please see attachment. Bruce Batty questioned the projected collection amounts, since attendance is down year to date and there is one less Sunday in 2020. Norm explained that there was a surplus built in to the previous budget. Norm Shearer reported that attendance is up slightly at 7%.

**Evangelization and Catechesis Commission:** no report

**Worship Commission Report:** Joyce Kister provided a handout detailing the November 12, 2019 meeting. Joyce introduced Rosemary Leingang, the new chairperson of the commission. The commission is still working on reading and discussing Built of Living Stone. Starting in February, the Worship Commission will meet on the first Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm.

**Youth Representative Report:** no report

**D.E.C. Report:** no report

**Youth Ministry Report:** Teri Iverson provided a handout of the minutes from the Youth Ministry Commission meeting. (see attached) Teri reported that there are approximately 100 PSR students. The change to all morning classes has been received favorably. Youth Group meets once per month on Sunday evenings. This is open to middle school age youth also. Mission trips are being planned. Mission trips have been a struggle, Teri is still praying on what to choose. The trips are in June. The winter fundraiser is being planned as a dinner and comedy show. One possibility is Chris Padgett, who is doing a traveling comedy show. This is being planned for February.

**Pastor's Report:** Fr. Marc reported that Kathy Herzog will be the staff liaison for the communication committee. Father provided a handout detailing the attendance counts in October. We are showing a slight increase. Doug Schlagle asked how many registered families we have, Father stated we have about 750 registered families. Bruce Batty asked about the results of the census. Father said that Kathy would have that information. Father stated that if someone lives in the territory around St. John's, and they are Catholic, church law says they are automatically a parishioner. Bruce Batty asked about a boundary, how do you distinguish between parishes? There is no definite map for each parish. With a pastor's permission, people may register with any parish they prefer. Kathy Catrone asked what prevents folks from registering in more than one parish. People should contact their parish if they are planning on switching to a new parish.

**Round Robin:** Bruce Batty asked why there has been no Herald newsletter in over a year. Father stated that an issue is being worked on at this time. The office staff has been backed up and has been unable to get it done. Bruce asked if there was someone outside of the office doing the newsletter. Father stated that anyone can volunteer to work on the Herald, but it must be done in the parish office, not on anyone's home computer. The newsletter should be proofread by office personnel before publishing. Bill Lewis reported that the communication committee will be meeting Saturday, 11/24/2019 at 9:00 am in the basement of the Tipp City library. The Facebook page is up and running, everyone should check it out and "like" it.

**Ministry Reports for Next Meeting:**

- Building Maintenance – Mike Droesch
- Early Childhood Program – Susie Sexton

Bruce Batty will provide hospitality for the January 9, 2019 meeting, Kevin Hartke will present Adult Faith Formation, and Dale Voisard will provide the Closing Prayer of Gratitude.

Dale Voisard closed the meeting with a Prayer of Gratitude.

The meeting adjourned at 8:13 pm.

**Next Meeting:** January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019

**Respectfully Submitted:**

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Mary H. Chafin, Recording Secretary