



**St. John the Baptist Catholic Church  
Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, February 13, 2020**

**PPC Members Present** Bruce Batty, Kathy Catrone, Gary Chafin, Judy Kleman Leshner, Judie McKittrick, Dale Voisard, Doug Slagel, Christopher Nichols, Barb Batty, Teri Iverson, Mary Chafin and Fr. Marc Sherlock

**Hospitality:** Doug Slagel provided hospitality for the meeting.

**Adult Faith Formation:** Gary Chafin presented the adult faith formation.

Judy Kleman Leshner welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending, and the meeting was called to order at 7:16 pm.

**PPC Minutes:** Doug Slagel made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2020 meeting; seconded by Gary Chafin. Motion carried.

**Ministry Reports:**

**Festival Committee:** Jenny Wood/Mary Chafin –Festival Committee (see handout)

**Liaison Reports:**

**Finance Council:** no report

**Evangelization and Catechesis Commission:** no report

**Worship Commission Report:** Barb Batty reported that Fr. Marc's last weekend as pastor of St. John's is June 27-28, 2020. Instead of a retirement celebration, Fr. Marc would rather have cookies and punch after the 5:00pm mass and coffee and donuts after the Sunday masses. The Worship Commission agreed to serve as hosts. Jenny Wood will put this information on the website and Facebook page.

**Youth Representative Report:** Christopher Nichols reported that the Youth Group had a short meeting. The YNIA trip is planned for Gallup, New Mexico. There have been two retreats held since the last meeting, both of which went very well. Middle school attendance was very high, only 6 students missed out of 60. Retreat presenters did a phenomenal job of planning and carrying out the retreats. Dale Voisard requested 5 or 6 youth at each fish fry to assist with cleanup and other tasks. It was also asked about advertising the fish fry in the newspaper, but we can't accommodate any more patrons. The fish fry dates are 3/06, 3/20 and 4/03.

**D.E.C. Report:** Deacon Chuck reported that he would not be at the meeting due to a new grandbaby. The commission is working on a plan to stay better connected with our young adults after they graduate high school and go off to college, military or workforce. The most underserved population in the church is the age group of 18 to 39. VBS dates are on hold due to the festival dates changing. Dates will be finalized soon.

**Youth Ministry Report:** Teri Iverson reported that the Confirmation Retreat is scheduled for March 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> at the Montezuma House, which is a great facility for teens. It is a beautiful building, and a wonderful retreat facility.

**Pastor's Report:** Fr. Marc reported that "open listings" for parishes needing pastors came out today with no mention of St. John's. Father emailed the head of the priest personnel board. Fr. Marc stated that there will be just one pastor for St. Christopher and St. John. It seems that there is no decision at this point. At last conversation with Fr. John, he stated that he hadn't made up his mind about taking both parishes.

The Lent/Easter schedule will be the same as previous years. There will be an insert in the bulletin the Sunday before Ash Wednesday. Judie McKitrick asked about the patio project and if there has been any progress. Fr. Marc said there seems to be some trouble with the architect getting the drawings finalized. Fr. Marc will invite Mike Droesch to the April meeting to give the council an update. Bruce Batty asked if the information concerning having one pastor was to be kept quiet. Fr. Marc stated that he wasn't told that it needed to be. Gary Chafin asked about the process of determining how the mass schedule may be changed. St. John could cut a mass, going down to 2 per weekend. Fr. Marc is still planning to rent the rectory house if it is not going to be occupied. Fr. Marc is setting up an interview with the candidate for office/administrative staff/communications person. He is waiting to revamp the web site until the hiring is completed. Norm Shearer has recommended someone to revamp the website before the new communications person is in place. Judy Kleman Leshner will contact Norm about the contact information for the web person to include them in the Communications Committee. Judy Kleman Leshner advised that the Communication Committee will meet on Saturday, 2/15/2020 at 9:15 am in Room 107. All are welcome to attend!!

**Round Robin:** Fr. Marc advised that Kathy Catrone and Gary Chafin will be leaving the Council at the end of this year. There will be 2 openings and 1 alternate opening in the next lottery. Gary Chafin stated that he will miss the next meeting due to a business trip to Europe. Judy Kleman Leshner advised the council that her baby is due right before the festival.

**Ministry Reports for Next Meeting:**

- Mike Droesch –Facility Maintenance
- Migrant Ministry
- Betty Voisard- Shawl Ministry

Bruce Batty will provide hospitality for the April 2, 2020 meeting. Judie McKitrick will present Adult Faith Formation, and Fr. Marc will provide the Closing Prayer of Gratitude.

Dale Voisard closed the meeting with a Prayer of Gratitude.

The meeting adjourned at 8:18 pm.

