

NOVEMBER 2019 PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES

Members Present: Father Frank, Julie Andrews, Lawton Blandford, Clare Charzewski, Robbie Dills, Robbie Doran, Theresa Eze, Jerry Gardner, Keith McGuinness, Scott Phillips, John Russell, Juan Saiz and Colleen Sutton

Members Absent: Matt Gibbons and Maggie Helton

1. Opening Prayer – Robbie Doran

2. Building Committee report – Chrissy Glisson

The Pastoral Council members present were able to take a tour of the new church and see first-hand the progress. Looks great!

3. Dedication Ceremony Invitation – Father Frank

Father Frank passed around copies of the invitations for the Dedication Ceremony scheduled for February 23rd. The invitations include illustrations of both the old church on the back and the new church on the front.

4. Minutes – Colleen Sutton

October 2019 Pastoral Council minutes were read, corrections made and approved by the council.

5. Goals of the parish for next 3-5 years follow up – All Participated

We had asked that Robbie Dills and Robbie Doran bring in their original thoughts and answers to the questions below. Which they did and we all went over them again carefully. Scott Phillips also presented his answers and thoughts in an updated written document. We all agreed that their thoughts and input are exactly what we were looking for in answering the questions below. Father Frank has collected all the feedback needed at this time to proceed with completing the final documentation that will be presented to the Dioceses in reference to our parish's future goals.

- a. What are the realistic gifts this parish offers members, the diocese, and the community?
- b. What are realistic needs we have as a parish community?

- c. What pastoral gifts will best serve us in a new leader?

6. Annual Golf and BBQ Fundraiser – Scott Phillips

- a. Total Success
- b. BBQ Fundraiser profit = \$6,411.00
- c. Golf Tournament Fundraiser profit = \$13,773.00
- d. Total Profit = \$20,184.00

Registration went very smooth this year. It worked out great that the goody bags, golf towels, box lunch and programs were placed on the golf cart prior to the start time. Seemed to be less confusion at the registration area. We had plenty of sodas, water and snacks. Raffle prizes were great, ticket sales were \$2,661.00. We received over \$5,000.00 in donated items. We had smaller goody bags, that was good, the nice golf towel, donated by Seth Kane was a big hit.

Clare suggested that our sponsors be sent invitation to our Dedication Ceremony in February. Without them our annual Golf Tournament Fundraiser wouldn't have been as successful as they have been.

7. Father Franks Good News – Father Frank

- a. Bad News – The current church has had to have some major repairs completed lately. The estimation to make these repairs is between \$45k and \$55k.
- b. In reference to our new church, we will be inviting local pastors to a breakfast in the MAK Center (that will be catered), followed by a tour of the new church.
- c. We will be having a guest Priest from Saint Anne's Church in Camp-Perrin, Haiti join us in January. Saint Anne's is our Sister Church in Haiti. Father Laudy will be giving us an update on the churches rebuilding status. The church was completely destroyed during Hurricane Matthew in 2016.
- d. Our Latino Community had a Food Sale Fundraiser that raised \$2,600.00 for our building campaign.
- e. Also, our Rosary Makers Ministry had a raffle/sale event and raised \$2,000 for the building campaign.
- f. Hispanic registration information: We currently have 79 families registered. It has been mentioned that these families receive no mailings, no Catholic Herald newspaper, and no DSA information. It has been discussed with the Presbyteral Council of the Charlotte Dioceses to remove the "tag" that identifies a family's nationality to eliminate that nationality being excluded from the above items and any future correspondence from the Dioceses.
- g. Prints of the old church and the new church, along with a Christmas Ornament (the same illustration on the ornament) will be going on sale shortly.

Closing Prayer: Robbie Dills