

**Saint John Gualbert Cathedral  
Pastoral Council Meeting  
Thursday, May 3, 2018**

**I. Opening Prayer** – The Gospel: John 15:9-17 (The Command to Go Forth and Love One Another) was proclaimed. Council members participated in a *Group Faith Sharing on the Sunday Gospel*.

**II. Roll Call** – *In attendance*: Heather Jezeskie, Dixie Lochrie, Pat Cuthbert, Pat Loughlin, Beth Stem, Fred Oliveros, Kevin Slonka, Rachel Hall and Russ Smith.

*Ex Officio in attendance*: Fr. Crookston, Fr. Bridges and Senior Deacon John Concannon.

*Guest in attendance*: Lonnie Rietscha

**III. Vision and Mission Statements** – recited by Council Members.

**IV. Review of the Minutes** – The Minutes of April 2, 2018 were reviewed and approved.

**V. Committee Reports**

- ❖ **Liturgy** – Senior Deacon John Concannon reported on upcoming Sacraments, Holy Days, Triduum and Holiday Masses that will be held at the Cathedral through early September. The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be received by children of our parish at the 11:00 AM Mass on Sunday, May 6th. The Ascension of the Lord is celebrated on Thursday, May 10<sup>th</sup> and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup> is Pentecost. The selection of new Pastoral Council members to fill vacant seats will take place at the 11:00 AM Mass on Pentecost. Our annual Memorial Day Mass will be held at 9:00 AM on Monday, May 28<sup>th</sup>. Our annual Saint Anne Triduum will be held July 24<sup>th</sup> through July 26<sup>th</sup>. The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be celebrated on Wednesday, August 15<sup>th</sup> and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Our annual Labor Day Mass will be held in the Cathedral on Monday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00 AM. The next Liturgy Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM.
- ❖ **Education** – Heather Jezeskie reported that five children of our parish will receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion on Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at the 11:00 AM Mass. A meeting is to be held on Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> to decide on a location where the children of our parish will attend Religious Education (CCD) for the 2018/2019 term. The next Education Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM.
- ❖ **Christian Life and Service** – Dixie Lochrie reported that the Wine Tasting Event was hugely successful. Our annual Carnation Sale that benefits Birthright will be held before and after all Masses on the weekend of May 12/13. A High Tea and Handbag Extravaganza will be held on Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are \$20.00 each and proceeds supports the Assumption Sisters of Nairobi. The next Christian Life and Service Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM.
- ❖ **Maintenance** – No Report
- ❖ **Cemetery** – Russ Smith reported that the Holy Ground Letter is now completed. The addresses of those who have loved ones interred in either Saint Joseph or Saint John Gualbert cemeteries are still needed. Fr. Crookston reported that the Holy Ground Letter will be going out to all parishioners and families of those interred in one of our cemeteries within the week. The next Cemetery Committee Meeting is scheduled for a TBD day during the week of May 14 at 6:00 PM.

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- ❖ **Finance** – No Report. The next Finance Committee Meeting is scheduled for a TBD day during the week of May 14 at 6:00 PM.
- ❖ **Youth** – Rachel Hall reported that a Vocation Dinner will be held on Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup>. Baccalaureate will be held on Thursday, May 31<sup>st</sup> at Saint Benedict. Graduation will be held on Friday, June 1<sup>st</sup>.
- ❖ **Proclaim! TV** – Fr. Bridges reported that there is an increase of In Memorial Gifts being made to our Television Ministry in memory of departed loved ones. We currently only have one engineer on our Proclaim! crew. Proclaim! is actively seeking another First-Class FCC Broadcast Licensed Engineer to join the Proclaim! Crew.

**VI. Old Business** – Involvement with our diverse neighbors: A Peace Walk is scheduled for Friday, May 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM beginning at Johnstown Trojan Stadium.

**VII. New Business** – There was no new business.

**VIII. Next Meetings** – June 7

**IX. Closing Prayer** – A Group Prayer was said by Council Members.

**X. Adjournment** – There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

*Russ Smith*

Russ Smith – Pastoral Council Secretary