

Saint John Gualbert Cathedral
Pastoral Council Meeting
Thursday, October 4, 2018

I. Opening Prayer – Lonnie Rietscha proclaimed the Gospel: Mark 10:2-16 (Teaching about divorce; Blessing the Little Children.) Council members participated in a *Group Faith Sharing on the Sunday Gospel*.

II. Roll Call – *In attendance*: Fred Oliveros, Heather Jezeskie, Dixie Lochrie, Pat Loughlin 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 September 6, 2018 were reviewed and approved following edit completion.

V. Committee Reports

- ❖ **Liturgy** – Senior Deacon John Concannon reported on upcoming Masses, Concerts and Holy Days of Obligation. Grocery Bags for our annual Thanksgiving Food Drive will be distributed after all Masses on the weekend of October 27/28. The Solemnity of All Saints is on Thursday, November 1st and all are reminded that this is a Holy Day of obligation. The commemoration of All Souls is on Friday, November 2nd. We will return to Standard Time on Sunday, November 4th. Our annual Thanksgiving Day Mass will be held on Thursday, November 22nd at 9:00 AM. The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe is Sunday, November 25th. Sunday, December 2nd is the First Sunday of Advent and the beginning of Cycle C of the Lectionary for Masses in 2018/2019. Our Angel Tree will have angles available before and after all Masses on the First Sunday of Advent December 1 / 2. The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is Saturday, December 8th and is a Holy Day of Obligation. First Penance will be celebrated for the children of our parish on Sunday, December 9th. Our annual Advent Concert will be held in the Cathedral on Saturday, December 22nd at 7:00 PM. The Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord is Tuesday, December 25th. Mass times will be 5:00 PM on Christmas Eve and Midnight, 8:00 AM and 11:00 AM on Christmas Day. Bishop Mark will be the Principal Celebrant at our Christmas Day Mass at 11:00 AM. Tuesday, January 1, 2019 is the Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God. Sunday, January 6th is The Epiphany of the Lord and the Proclamation of the date of Easter. Blessed Chalk will be distributed after all Masses on January 5 / 6. The Mass for Consecrated Life will be held on Sunday, February 3rd at 11:00 AM.

The next Liturgy Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 30th at 6:00 PM.

- ❖ **Education** – Heather Jezeskie reported that CCD classes have begun for the youth of our parish. This year families were given the option of choosing where their children attend CCD classes. Saints Barnabas and Gregory, Saint Clement, Resurrection and Saint Theresa of the Child Jesus are the locations where the youth of our parish are registered for CCD classes. CCD classes are connected to the ARISE initiative by incorporating ARISE elements into the class instruction. Confirmation requirements for those in grades 9 through 11 are closely monitored to ensure that all Retreats, Sessions and Service Hours are completed and that SHYCON is attended before a student's Confirmation. There is currently one adult and five children in the Christian Initiation process in our parish; of the five children, two are going through Pre-Jordan. Fr. Crookston

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reported that ARISE has begun in our parish and that all Group Faith Sharing sessions are going quite well. The next scheduled Education Committee Meeting is slated for Tuesday, November 13th at 6:30 PM.

- ❖ **Christian Life and Service** – Dixie Lochrie reported that our parish in conjunction with Chan Soon-Shiong Medical Center will hold a Community Lab Blood Screening on Saturday, October 20th from 6:30 AM – 10:00 AM at the Activity Center. Grocery Bags for our annual Food Drive will be distributed after all Masses on the weekend of October 27/28. There will be a Champagne Christmas Tea and Handbag Extravaganza held on Sunday, November 18th at 1:00 PM at the Activity Center. The cost to attend the Tea is \$20.00/person. The next Christian Life and Service Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 6th at 6:30 PM.
- ❖ **Maintenance** – Fred Oliveros reported that a contract has been signed for the banister replacement on the Plaza and work is to begin in the Spring of 2019. Shower replacement in the Rectory has been completed. The Cathedral has yet to receive a date by which the sewage replacement must be completed. A tall crane is needed to remove the tree and plants from the lower bell tower, the search for such crane has begun. The next Maintenance Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 16th at 6:00 PM.
- ❖ **Cemetery** – Fr. Crookston reported that The Holy Ground Project continues to receive gifts and is thankful for the outpouring of generosity. The next Cemetery Committee Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 17th at 6:00 PM.
- ❖ **Finance** – No Report. The next Finance Committee Meeting will be scheduled for a date during the week of November 11th.
- ❖ **Youth** – Fr. Crookston announced that Carlie Jezeskie will be the youth representative on Pastoral Council beginning in November.
- ❖ **Proclaim! TV** – Fr. Bridges reported that Proclaim! TV has an ever-expanding viewing area and that our volunteers continue to produce a premium weekly telecast. New volunteers are needed and always welcome to join the Proclaim! TV crew.

VI. Old Business – There was no old business needing review.

VII. New Business – There was no new business brought to the table.

VIII. Next Meetings – Nov. 1, Dec. 6, Feb. 7, Mar. 7, Apr. 4, May 9, Jun 13.

IX. Closing Prayer – Fr. Bridges

X. Adjournment – There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Russ Smith

Russ Smith – Pastoral Council Secretary