

**Saint John Gualbert Cathedral
Pastoral Council Meeting
Thursday, March 7, 2019**

I. Opening Prayer – Fr. Crookston

II. Roll Call – *In attendance:* Fred Oliveros, Geoffrey Stumpo, Heather Jezeskie, Dixie Lochrie, Mary Jane Verbiar, Pat Loughlin, Carlie Jezeskie and Russ Smith.
Ex Officio in attendance: Fr. Crookston and Fr. Bridges.

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

IV. Review of the Minutes – The minutes of February 6, 2019 were reviewed and approved.

V. Committee Reports

- ❖ **Liturgy** – Fr. Crookston reported that there will be a Rite of Sending held at the Cathedral on Sunday, March 10th. Our parish will have two Catechumens and one Candidate attending this Rite. A Rite of Sending will be held on Sunday, April 7th at our 11:00 AM Mass for our parish's Confirmation Candidate that will be Confirmed on Thursday, April 25th in the Cathedral. The next Liturgy Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 9th at 6:00 PM.
- ❖ **Education** – Heather Jezeskie reported that all ARISE with Christ spring sessions will begin on either the week of March 4th or the week of March 11th depending on the session that one signed-up for. All sessions are six weeks in length and will conclude the week prior to Holy Week. CCD classes for those youth of our parish that attend classes at Resurrection will continue through Sunday, May 5th. There will be no CCD classes held on Easter Sunday, April 21st. CCD students are following the same curriculum as the ARISE program. Confirmation Spring Sessions and Retreats continue for those youth of our parish in grades 9, 10 and 11. Our parish Confirmation will be held on Thursday, April 25th in the Cathedral. The next Education Committee Meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 11th at 7:00 PM.
- ❖ **Christian Life and Service** – Dixie Lochrie reported that our parish's Mission Travelers benefit Spaghetti Dinner/Basket Party held on Sunday, March 3rd at the Activity Center was well attended and very successful. This years Mission Travelers are Monica Kendera, Geoffrey Stumpo, Dave Harteis, Joel Martin, and Fr. Jim Crookston. Our Mission Travelers will depart on Monday, April 29th and return on Monday, May 6th. Our annual Saint Joseph Triduum will be held March 17th through March 19th in the Cathedral. Mass times are Sunday, March 17th at 5:00 PM and Monday, March 18th/Tuesday, March 19th at 7:00 PM. Fr. Chuck Bridges will be the Principle Celebrant and Homilist at the closing Mass held on March 19th. There will be a Saint Joseph's Table held at the Activity Center following the closing Triduum Mass. Baked goods are needed for the Saint Joseph's Table. There will be A Toast to Our St. Croix Mission Wine and Beer Festival held on Saturday, April 6th from 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM at the Activity Center. The cost is \$20.00/person and must be 21 years of age to attend. Fr. Crookston reported that Fr. Thomas Ngigi from our sister parish in Jamaica will be visiting our parish in May of this year. The next Christian Life and Service Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 2nd at 6:00 PM.

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- ❖ **Maintenance** – Fred Oliveros reported that the Maintenance Committee had a meeting with HF Lenz to devise a Scope of Work for the Cathedral. This Scope of work includes but is not limited to the following: roofing repairs, terracotta repairs, removal of bell tower vegetation, sidewalk replacement and sewage replacement. The next Maintenance Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 12th at 6:00 PM.
- ❖ **Cemetery** – Fr. Crookston reported that a partial repair of the Bedford Street wall at Saint Joseph's Cemetery is being considered. The next Cemetery Committee Meeting will be announced at a later date.
- ❖ **Finance** – Fred Oliveros reported on the current financial standings of the Cathedral. The next Finance Committee Meeting is slated for a date during the week of May 15th that has yet to be announced.
- ❖ **Youth** – Carlie Jezeskie reported that she has completed the Spring Confirmation Session that was held on Sunday, February 17th and will be attending the Spring Retreat.
- ❖ **Proclaim! TV** – Fr. Bridges reported that our parish's LIVE broadcast of the Sunday Mass has acquired more viewers due in part to the expanded coverage provided by the Cornerstone Faith and Family Channel well as our primary affiliate WATM ABC 23.

VI. Old Business – Fr. Crookston attended the Holocaust Exhibit at the Discovery Center. The exhibit is titled: *Deadly Medicine – Creating the Master Race*, which is FREE and open to the public on Saturdays. Fr. Crookston highly recommends all to view the exhibit.

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

VIII. Next Meetings – April 2, May 9, June 13

IX. Closing Prayer – Fr. Crookston

X. Adjournment – There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Russ Smith

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