

Saint John Gualbert Cathedral

Pastoral Council Meeting

Thursday, November 5, 2020

- I. **Opening Prayer** – Fr. Crookston
- II. **Roll Call** –
In attendance: Charlotte Amenti, Pat Loughlin, David Wilson, Marge Bevans, Fred Oliveros, and Geoffrey Stumpo
Ex Officio in attendance: Fr. Crookston
Youth in attendance: Eli Updyke
Excused Absences: Christine Brothers, Lonnie Rietscha, and John Wise
- III. **Vision and Mission Statements** – recited by council members.
- IV. **Review of the Minutes** – The minutes of the October 1, 2020 meeting were reviewed and approved.
- V. **Committee Reports**
 - ❖ **Liturgy** – Father Crookston reported Sunday Mass obligation remains suspended. The Parish community continues to be understanding of the ongoing Pandemic mitigation measures that continue at all Masses. The Parish will not have an Advent reconciliation service this year, but weekly confessions will continue as scheduled. The next meeting is on January 12 at 6:00 pm.
 - ❖ **Education** – Dave Wilson reported two Confirmation hopefuls had begun the RCIA interview process. Beth Stem will catechize some youngsters as the grade two sacramental prep coordinator. The next meeting is on November 10 at 7:00 pm.
 - ❖ **Christian Life and Services** – Pat Loughlin reported CL&S met on October 28 to coordinate the upcoming Angel Tree project that ends November 15. Catholic Charities will pick up the gifts from the Activity Center on November 18. Grocery bags continue to flow in and fill up more and more pews in Saint Anne’s Shrine. The next meeting is on January 5, 2021, to plan the Yellow Ribbon Campaign.
 - ❖ **Maintenance** – Fred Oliveros reported maintenance has not met, but Father Crookston reported he ran into a person who has previous knowledge about painting the apse around the altar. The next meeting is on November 16.
 - ❖ **Cemetery** – Father Crookston reported the Cemetery committee has not met. The next meeting is the week of November 16.

- ❖ **Finance** –Fr. Crookston reported that the Finance Committee has not met. Father Crookston will soon distribute a letter to parishioners asking for their continuing support. The next meeting is the week of November 16.
 - ❖ **Proclaim! TV** – Fred Oliveros reported Proclaim TV last met on October 20, where they established the Johnstown TV Ministry Council and subsequently reviewed and approved by-laws. Their designated purpose is to oversee the operations, finances, staff, equipment of the televised Mass. The Council will begin fulfilling the Proclaim continuity plan. Currently, the Diocese pays for the television airtime, but Proclaim covers all other expenses with donations. Proclaim receives most of its funding from only about 100 repeat donors. Proclaim has many talents in their ranks to build upon. Their next meeting is on November 9.
- VI. Old Business** – Fred Oliveros reported that the Deanery Pastoral Council met on October 13. The Council interviewed the individual recommended for hire as the liaison between Deanery Parishes and the Deanery Pastoral Council. He is expected to meet with each Pastor twice to gauge interest and strategize a Parish plan. He is looking to bring to the Parishes cultural changes, forge a common mission between Parishes, and explore other structural reforms. He met with all Deanery Pastors as a group.
- VII. New Business** – Father Crookston was appointed Administrator of Saint Patrick’s in the Moxham section of Johnstown. He will continue as Rector/Pastor of Saint John Gualbert until his expected mid-2021 retirement date.
- VIII. Next Meetings** – 12/03, 02/04, 03/04, maybe 03/31, and maybe 05/04
- IX. Closing Prayer** – Fr. Crookston
- X. Adjourned** – There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:22 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Geoffrey Stumpo – Pastoral Council Secretary