

**SABB Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes**  
**6:30-9:00 PM Monday 4 May 2015**

**Present:** Fr. Jeff Dauses, Jim Bors, Rick Brewer, Audrey Carbine, Giulia Carbine (Youth Rep.), , Mike Lehr, Susanne Lipscomb, Chris Mirenzi, Jen Minor, John Phelan, Anne Storey, Brendan Walshe, Betsy Werthmann, and Helen Maher

**Absent:** Roger Crane

**Note:** This meeting was held at the Lipscomb residence. Thanks, Susanne!!

**6:30 Grace and a delicious meal.**

**7:10 "Come Holy Spirit" Prayer**

**7:15 Lectio Divina with ACTS 4:32-35**

**7:25 Fr. Jeff Update**

- Fr. Steve Olds is transferring to Florida. His last weekend with us will be Memorial Day. We'll have a reception for him in the upper hall after the 1030 Mass.
- Christine Lamolinara will become the new SABB Youth Minister as of 15 May.
- Tim Feist's Parish Honor will be celebrated at the 1030 7 Jun Mass. Old Pastoral Council leadership to present. I believe that Betsy said that she would do it if Jim were not present.
- Parish Picnic to follow.

**7:35 PC Election Results and PC Orientation Plans**

- Results of the Pastoral Council Election: Cathy Tengwall, Susan Michaud, and Brian Jordan were elected and Fr. Jeff appointed Mary Jean Mollen to the final open position. Jim Bors, Betsy Werthman, Susanne Lipscomb, and John Phelan complete their three year term at the end of May 2015.
- Brendan, Chris, and Jen will coordinate the PC Orientation which I believe was scheduled for 6 June.
- Phelan to provide final update to the MOM and send to Roger and Brendan for editing and posting to the PC website.

**7:35 Neighborhood Gathering @ Mike Lehr's home**

- June 14 2:30 PM for SABB members in the Atlantis Community
- Jen & Mike to finalize the invite; Pot Luck
- Father's staff has already done selected the closest addresses.
- Susanne will host a subsequent gathering for some of the folks in Cape

**7:45 Parish Leadership Pot Luck 22 May at Phelan's**

- Initial invitation by Jim Bors using guest list provided by parish staff.

### **7:50 Sister Parish Visit and Resulting Action Items/Initiatives**

- Some PC members met our San Francisco de Asis Sister Parish reps at 1 PM Sunday, 26 April for lunch at Broadneck Grill. Mike Lehr took excellent notes (hint, hint) which are attached to preserve for posterity.
- Helen Maher joined us at the PC meeting to assist with this portion of the agenda. Helen informed us of the details of the full week of immersion in SABB activities that were enjoyed by our guests. She said it was quite successful.
- We learned of the gangs who control various areas of their parish community and the dangers parishioners face.
- St. Peters of Kansas City also serves as Sister Parish to San Francisco de Asis. Our last visit to El Salvador was a joint visit with St. Peters. We discussed resurrecting the every other year visits.
- We discussed what we could do to keep the dialogue going after such a warm visit and agreed to start something straight forward. At each PC meeting going forward will be a standing agenda item to be included in the minutes – events and topics we would like to share with our sister parish.
  - We join them in prayerful thanks for the beatification of Oscar Romero, martyred Archbishop of San Salvador.
  - We continue our simple 3 in 1 effort of inviting folks to mass or other events at St. Andrews and we try to make all feel welcome.
- Action for developing and keeping open the dialogue is passed to the new PC standing up 1 June 2015.
- We were reminded that our other Sister Parish, Transfiguration, invites us to attend mass with them on June 28<sup>th</sup>, which coincides with the silver anniversary of Pastor Fr. Augustine Inwang's ordination.

### **■ 8:30 Turnover discussion topics/ Q&A?**

- Fall Retreat – Under control
- 3 in1 – Passed to Pastoral Associate Stephany Crane
- PC Constitution Review – ongoing and tied closely with a decision about changing from an electoral to a discernment process for selection/appointment of new PC members.
- PC Discernment Process in lieu of elections
- PC long term role in Sister Parish relationship - discussed
- Annual Review and Reflection on Parish Vision Statement – required by our PC constitution
- Ministry Fair – was held in abeyance last fall due to scheduling conflicts. New PC has an action to resolve the question of whether to continue them or to tie them in with donut Sundays.
- Ministry Liaisons

**8:58 New Business -- None**

**9:00 Prayer to St. Andrew**

**Jun Agenda items:**

TBD

Calendar:

**June 2015**

6 – PC Orientation and Officer Election?

7 – Tim Feist Parish Honor

7 – Parish Picnic

14 – Welcome Brunch for new parishioners after 1030 Mass

28 – Invitation to attend mass at Transfiguration in Baltimore.

Parish Council – Lunch with Pastor and members of Parish Council

Location: Broadneck Grill

Date: 4/26/15

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SABB Question: How can we improve our relationship with your parish?

Response: 1) Communication

2) Visits

Ideas about Communication

1) Facebook – like their parish on Facebook

2) Maybe a private Facebook group for the pastoral councils to communicate

How will communications be written and received?

1) We will write in English

2) We will receive in Spanish

\* Audrey Buck has relationships with San Francisco parish; pastoral council should probably bring her in and talk about logistics of communication.

What types of communications? Topics? Subjects?

1) Events inside the church (Speakers, Processions, Crownings, Adoration, Devotions, Missions, Retreats, etc.)

2) News that affects SABB and/or SF

3) News about our country, our area, etc.

4) How we are sharing our faith, evangelization.

- They would like to share news about their parish, El Salvador as a whole, and their parish territory.
- They will share reflections about holidays, devotions, and other principal feasts.

Historically, a joint faith-sharing event took place on June 29. (Both parishes would share their faith) -- I was not 100% sure what was meant by this, and did not get a chance to clarify. Maybe Audrey Buck can shed some light on this.

They do adoration every Thursday.

They do a Eucharistic Procession on Corpus Christi

They will share how the money that is given to their parish is spent in a report with pictures.

In May they pray to Virgin Mary

In June, they have a big devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

### **Issues that affect SF parish**

- Violence among communities within parish territory, occasionally if someone from the parish territory dies and there is no money for burial, the church assists.
- Gangs become role models for kids
  - Need help with catechesis and family faith formation
  - Ideas for forming positive role models for children
- Education is expensive, especially the Catholic schools which are the most desirable.
  - \$1,000 for one student to attend for one year (this may have been HS or University)
    - This includes lunch, bus ride, books, and schooling
    - Ranges in prices from \$30 / month to \$120 / month.
    - To give context, a working husband and wife earns \$230 per month.
  - With their relationship with KC church, they are able to give 56 children scholarships.
    - Preference is to youth group children receiving scholarships, but they also give them to non-Catholics.
- 70% of community has financial/material needs

Padre's impression of our Youth Group –

- Very good
- He was given a lot of hope by our YG's mission trip to NY
- Jim suggested youth pen pals for both YGs, to help both sides learn each other's language

SABB – What is your biggest need? Please do not spare us any details

- They really want SABB visitors
  - Jim wants to improve communication so that parish knows about what to expect on the trip and so that good preparations can be made.
- Need help with Evangelization program, their program was put together 10 years ago and it is outdated.
  - Focused on three areas:
    - Liturgy
    - Socializing
    - Evangelization

- Harder to evangelize there now because there are three different gangs. Safety when traveling from one community to another.
- Strong desire to do as Pope Francis says and “preach outside the Church walls.” They want to do that badly!

How can we help children have Role Models

1) There is a parish school in a dangerous area (elementary and middle)

2) They need a school psychologist

3) There is one center for the entire parish for after school activities like sports, tutors, and painting. Many more opportunities are needed, because they lose kids to gangs, etc. as a result.