

SABB Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes Monday (10/3)

Attendance: Roger Crane, Brian Jordan, Mike Riggin, Chris Mirenzi, Cathy Tengwall, Marc Mckenna, Mary Jean Mollen, Denise O'Neill, Traci LaValle, Susan Michaud, Mary Vartain, Rick Brewer, Fr. Jeff Dauses. Absent: Marc Mckenna

1. Began meeting with a Prayer.

2. Council members read and shared their insights on the **Lectio Divina ("Divine Reading") Luke 17:11-19**

As Jesus continued his journey to Jerusalem, he traveled through Samaria and Galilee.

As he was entering a village, ten lepers met him.

They stood at a distance from him and raised their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master! Have pity on us!"

And when he saw them, he said, "Go show yourselves to the priests."

As they were going they were cleansed. And one of them, realizing he had been healed, returned, glorifying God in a loud voice; and he fell at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. He was a Samaritan.

Jesus said in reply, "Ten were cleansed, were they not?"

Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?"

Then he said to him, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you."

3. Father Jeff Update

- Jen Minor is making the transition to her new role as the Coordinator for Religious Education/Elementary Faith Formation
- Youth Summer Camp is full for this summer
- "Annapolis by Starlight" Chair cannot find the time to organize the event; there will be no event this year or next year so it will not occur in the Spring of 2017
- All Grants for Parking Lot have been submitted; should hear something by December. Cathy will keep us informed; she has done an excellent job!
- Sister Parish visit – November 11-14

4. Update on Archdiocese Reorganization

- Archdiocese Reorganization
- Difficult changes are coming; every Parish will be part of a Pastorate. Churches like St. John and St. Andrew's by the Bay will be stand alone Pastorates.
- The Archdiocese now has 142 pastorates or parishes; the reorganization will take us to 90 pastorates. The reorganization will affect not only the city but the entire archdiocese. We will be losing 20% of the parishes in Baltimore city.
- Will be looking at those churches and schools that will be shut down to see what will happen with the property.
- Fr. Jeff also mentioned what was happening at the Parish of the Holy Family in Davidsonville and Fr. Andy Owen. There were a small number of parishioners who did not want Fr. Andy to remain at that Parish and continued to harass him until he resigned and was awaiting a position at another church. Fr. Jay O'Connor was acting as the interim Pastor until a new Pastor was appointed; however, it looks like Fr. Andy is coming back.

5. Divine Renovation – Chapter 3 Open discussion

- Members shared thoughts on the 3rd chapter. **Some of those insights:**
- Should not let things fester in the parish
- Acknowledge Pain – there is pain in watching parishioners leave the church – sometimes entire families.
- Concerns about our children not going to Church
- Vision is to move forward
- We need to see how we can change things

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- Discussed TV media and Evangelism as a new way of reaching out to parishioners
- Some parishioners adopt a "Leave Me Alone" attitude.
- "Holiness is for Priest and Nuns, Not me". "Holiness does not mean perfect".
- "Preferred option is to stay and fight".
- John Paul is a breath of fresh air
- Fr. Jeff spoke of 400 families who worshipped in the basement until they could build a Church of their own. They went from 400 to 1200 families; the new families were not involved. The original families were concerned that they were missing what they originally had because of the growth and lack of involvement from the new 800 families. It took some time but they eventually were able to move them to their original mission.
- Fr. Jeff shared that being the only Priest sometimes becomes overwhelming because you sometimes have to make decisions or choices that do not make some parishioners happy. Also, a Priest is sometimes forced to choose to give sacraments, such as Last Rights, based on whether someone is a Parishioner because he can't be at two places at the same time.
- He also shared story about June and how she lost her boyfriend when she was 18 years old. Fr. Jeff had to deliver the sad news and as it turns up she showed up at St. Andrews last Sunday.
- Some other items discussed during this time was Maintenance is necessary but we still need to focus on the Mission

6. Pastoral Council

- Retreat went well
- Discussed moving forward toward a Mission Oriented Parish.
- Start as committee liaisons and reach out to our respective committees to see how we can help.
- Stephany Crane looking for mentors for RCIA
- Respect Life (Maureen) needs help.
- Question about KOC and the need to get them involved in Respect Life
- Changes coming where Winter Shelter is concerned; Mike will send out some notes.
- March for Life is young.
- Ministry for Sick may need support.
- Need to begin looking at our Mission for the future; more detail oriented goals – see how mission synchs up with Divine Renovation lessons. Look at gaps!
- Discussed how we want to organize future meetings; like the new format.
- **For next meeting (November 7) – read Chapter 4 – Divine Renovation and look for gaps in our mission and committees!**

7. Updates, New Business & Calendar

- Calendar Review – reviewed some of the new important dates coming up (**bold**).

Important Upcoming Dates

- **October 2016**
 - 3 – PC Meeting 7-9 PM, ALC
- **November 2016**
 - **5, 6 – PC Meet and Greet (PC members make themselves available after Masses)**
 - **7 – PC Meeting 7-9 PM, ALC**
 - **7-14 – Sister parish in El Salvador, San Francisco de Asis visiting**
 - **12 – Annual Sister Parish Covenant Renewal, 5 PM Mass followed by reception in UH**
 - (23 – 25 -- AACCS closed for Thanksgiving, SABB preschool closed 21 – 25)
 - (26 & 27 – Fair Trade Fair, UH after 5 P.M. and 11:30 A.M. Masses)
- **December 2015**
 - **3, 4 – PC Meet and Greet (PC members make themselves available after Masses)**

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- **5 – PC Meeting 7-9 PM, ALC**
- **5 – Appoint Parish Honors Committee?**
- TBD – SABB Leadership Potluck Dinner
- (23 – 2 Jan Christmas Holiday AAC Schools, SABB preschool closed 19 – 2 Jan)
- **(26 – 2 Jan – Winter Relief Shelter, UH)**
- **January 2016**
 - 2 – PC Meeting 7-9 PM, ALC (Brian will be on Travel) [Need to see if we need to move to 9 Jan]
 - 2 – Need to discuss Discernment Process and Timing and Roll Out
 - 7, 8 – PC Meet and Greet (PC members make themselves available after Masses)
 - (15 – Volunteer Appreciation Event, 12:30 – 5 P.M. in the U))
 - (23 – March for Life)
- **February 2016**
 - 4, 5 – PC Meet and Greet (PC members make themselves available after Masses)
 - 6 – PC Meeting 7-9 PM, ALC
 - 6 – Need to discuss Discernment Process and Timing and Roll Out
- **March 2016**
 - (1 – Ash Wednesday)
 - 4, 5 – PC Meet and Greet (PC members make themselves available after Masses)
 - 6 – PC Meeting 7-9 PM, ALC
 - 18 or 25 – Parish Honors Mass (5 P.M.) followed by dinner in the upper hall
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- **April 2016**
 - 1, 2 – PC Meet and Greet (PC members make themselves available after Masses)
 - 3 – PC Meeting 7-9 PM, ALC
 - (10 – 17 – Easter Break AACCS)
 - 13 - 15 -- Triduum
 - 16 – Easter
 - 18, 25 or 25, 2 March – Discernment meetings, in ALC ????????????????

- **May 2016**
 - 1 – PC Meeting 7-9 PM, ALC
 - 7 – PC Donut Sunday [Need to get volunteers for set-up and breakdown and check availability]
 - ?? – SABB Leadership Potluck?
 - 27 – New PC Orientation and Officer Election
 - 28 – 3 year terms end/begin for 4 old/4 new PC members
- **June 2016**
 - 2, 3 – PC Meet and Greet (PC members make themselves available after Masses)
 - 4 – Parish Picnic
 - 5 – PC Meeting 7-9 PM, ALC

9. Intercessory Prayer Intentions

- Briefly discuss format.
- Suggested: At the beginning start by saying “For whom shall we pray (please be comforted by letting us pray for those who are in need),” after each name the person speaking would say “Let us Pray” and everyone responds “Lord hear our prayer.”

10. Closing – Parish Prayer to St. Andrew

Dear Holy Patron, St. Andrew,

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We pray to you for our Parish, our Community, and our Families.

Our Parish honors you because of your faith-filled response to the call of Jesus.

As you brought your brother Simon Peter to the Lord, help us to lead the Community to a deeper knowledge and love of Jesus,

O Holy Fisherman, guide us in our daily work and protect us when the waters of life become stormy.

Care for us as a Parish touched by the beautiful waters of the Chesapeake and named in your honor.

Intercede for our families; provide for our sick and needy; love our children; and lead back to the Lord those who have faltered in their religious duties;

And bring us all at last to the joys of your company in eternal life, through Christ Our Lord.

Amen

