

Saint Teresa of Calcutta Pastoral Council Summary Notes
Saturday, 14 September 2019, Education and Meeting Center
Saint Bartholomew Church

Meeting Summary

In attendance:

Dick Borden, Linda Bouchie, Kate Deasy, Rosemary Fahey, Carol Kulpa, Toni Mazurek, Marianne Policastro, Steve Surprenant, and Father Marcin.

Meeting began at 9:01am. Father Marcin shared the weekly reflection on Breathing Room. A opportunity for discussion followed the video.

Pastoral Council Meeting Summary Review – A revised Summary of the June 1, 2019 meeting distributed prior to the meeting by Linda Bouchie. There were no additional comments.

Old Business:

Council Secretary: In the absence of a volunteer to be the Council Secretary, Kate Deasy volunteered to serve in this capacity for the next meeting.

New Business:

Father Marcin offered the following updates:

Religious Education: The Religious Education area is now fully staffed. Sandi Smith is the Leader of Religious Education. Rachel Bursiewicz is responsible for the program for grades Kindergarten through 12th grade. Evan Shaw-Mumford is serving as Youth Ministry which is a part-time position. For the most part, religious education classes will be built around the 10:00am and 5:00pm Masses on Sunday. The program will also be offered on Tuesday afternoon.

Rebuild Program: We have started the Rebuild program which is from the Church of the Nativity in Timonium, Maryland. This program will feature themes over a 6 week period with all parish homilies and education focused on this one theme.

Welcome Kiosk: A kiosk will be established at each worship site to assist new members in learning about our parish.

Archdiocesan Synod: Synod is moving forward according to schedule.

Pastoral Council Membership: Council Chair Marianne Policastro shared that the Council is now at 9 or 10 members, less than the 12-member limit noted in the Council Guidelines. She also reminded the current members of the Council that their initial three-year term will expire in June 2020. A discussion followed about the need to add new members and to work to expand the age and ethnic diversity of the Council. Steve Surprenant volunteered to lead a Nominating Committee and will report back to the Council at the next meeting.

Meeting Dates for 2019-2020 will be as follows:

November 9, 2019

January 11, 2020

March 7, 2020

May 16, 2002

September 12, 2020

All meetings are held in the Parish Education and Meeting Center from 9:00 - 10:30 am.

As our closing prayer, Father Marcin led the Council in the Hail Mary.

Meeting adjourned at 10:33am.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Surprenant