

St. Joseph Pastoral Council Minutes

July 14, 2020

The St. Joseph Pastoral Council met on Tuesday, July 14, 2020 at 6:30pm, in the Religious Educational building.

Present were: Father Pedro Castillo, Eugene Holub, Luci Labay, Lupita Alonso, Deacon Gus Coehlo, Maria Santellano and Rita Juergens

The meeting was opened with prayer by Father Pedro. The minutes were read and Eugene Holub made a motion to accept them. Deacon Gus seconded the motion and the minutes were passed.

Coronavirus

The protocols for the masses were discussed and the information did not change much. Diocese letter strongly encourages people to wear a mask. Fr. Pedro updated his YouTube and Facebook with this information. The information was also posted on the church website.

Land Acquisition

Rita Juergens contacted Tom Newton about the land he has agreed to sell. Rita offered \$50,000 which Tom rejected. Tom is asking \$100,000. Rita spoke to Deacon Ron Walker about getting an appraisal and inspection on the land. Council agreed to pay for inspection which will cost around \$100 versus \$700 for appraisal. Deacon Ron also suggested that the church pays for closing cost which might motivate Mr. Newton to sell. Rita will contact Mr. Newton for approval of the inspection of the property.

Church Organ

Pat Watson would like to remove the church organ from her house. Gloria will post in the Catholic Spirit if any churches are in need of an organ before we sell it to public. We will ask Pat Watson for pictures to send to the Catholic Spirit.

Parish Website

The parish website continues to do well and there were 79 visits this month and 353 pages views. We had new views from Iran and Great Britain. Eugene will continue to update information.

Youth Ministry and RE

RE will go based on what the school is doing. Bonnie Holub is working on ideas about religious education classes and will discuss with Father Pedro to come up with a plan.

Camera System

Ariel Buentello found a wireless transmitter for \$134 that might work for our camera. Eugene will get with Gloria about ordering it.

Maintenance

- Richard received two bids from ADT.
- He cleaned out the gutters.
- He repainted the rectory door.
- Richard will save the 14 station cross plaques from the prayer garden to use later.

Mayfest

Tickets are due August 1st. Eugene read the memorandum from the Diocese about the raffle guidelines. There can only be 2 raffles a year. You only have 30 day to do the raffles if it's rescheduled. Due to COVID, we believe we are OK to continue with raffle. The response of the Parishioners to the ticket sells has been great.

Eucharistic Guadalupanas

The Nuns from Nuevo Laredo will be coming to sell religious articles after all the masses and Fr. Pedro has approved and will contact them about dates.

Mission Appeal

Fr. Pedro will make a short video to show during all the masses. It will be a collection for the Benedictine Sisters of St. Agnes.

Marriage Prep Facilitator

We need a couple to volunteer to take a training on July 21-22. This couple will be our parish marriage prep facilitators. Currently, Father Pedro and Deacon Gus are handling marriage preparation. We need to get the word out to couples of the parish.

Racial Diversity

We don't believe we have a racial issue at this parish. A good idea will be to exchange culture customs between the English and Spanish Masses.

Holy Family Sign

Pat Elliott will get us some information on the cost of the sign.

Parking Lot items

Father Pedro will continue the extra Spanish Mass on Saturdays till the end of the year.

Deacon Gus led the closing prayer. Eugene Holub made a motion to end the meeting and Lupita Alonso seconded. Motion passed.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, August 4, 2020, at 6:30pm in the Religious Educational building.