

Parish Pastoral Council

Meeting Minutes

Oct. 26, 2023

Divine Savior Mission Statement

We the people of Divine Savior Catholic Church, empowered by our baptism, dedicate ourselves to living the Gospel of Jesus. Inspired by the love, justice and mercy of Christ, we are called to share His message in service so that all may know the Savior.

PPC Mission:

To play a collaborative, supportive, consultative and co-responsible role in service to the pastor, staff and the parish community.

Attendees:

Fr. Octavio, Gray Allen, Jan Bencken, Brenda Escoto, Laini Harris (Vice-Chair), Bob Healy, Lynn Johnson-Forbes, Paul Landry (Chair), Scot Yearwood

<u>Absent:</u> Kathy Bauer (Secretary), Bill Smith, Nia Welsh, Fr. Patric * In Kathy's absence, minutes were taken by Jen Yearwood

Opening Prayer:

Laini Harris led the opening prayer and reflection; theme was Pope Francis' call for A Day of Peace on 10/27; council was asked to reflect on how each of us can contribute to working for peace.

Minutes Sept. 2023 meeting minutes were approved.

Feedback on Financial Update Presentation from weekend of Oct. 7/8

- The presentations were different at 3 of the Masses; the 8am and 9:30am Masses seemed to be the best received; at the other Masses it did not seem like there was a sense of urgency regarding the current fiscal situation; for consistency of message it may be worthwhile to have the same person present at all Masses.
- The issue of Mass attendance and money concerns seems to be consistent at other local parishes as well.

Fundraising Brainstorming of Ideas (from council and parishioners)

- Nametag fundraiser; include elements of former Crab Feed into March Spaghetti
 Dinner Fundraiser; envelope wall fundraiser; offer adult night out with babysitting
 provided; church cook-off (sell taster tickets); cookie dough fundraiser (50% profit);
 drive-thru dinners; Lenten Fish Fry; pancake breakfasts; concert
- Additional idea- set tangible goal and have a barometer/thermometer type sign displayed in the vestibule to monitor progress; have milestone markers on it.

PPC Expectations

Representing the parish community at large; know our community members; continue to be a welcoming presence; continue to encourage active participation; increase attendance; nametag suggestion to foster community.

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Break & PPC Commission Work

 Members worked in Commission groups; reviewed ministries under their responsibilities and determined who would be point of contact for various ministries;

Parish events

Jen provided an update on various upcoming events:

- The Harvest Fest is set for Oct. 29th from 12:30-4:30pm; PPC is representing 2 booths; a few council members are hosting cars for Trunk or Treat; pre-sale of tickets for event went well (approx. 140 sold); expecting a decent turnout.
- The next "Light Night" will be Friday, Nov. 3rd at 6:30pm in Church.
- Last day to order pies is this Sunday, Oct. 29th.
- Thank you for signing up for Vestibule presence- this presence is helpful for times when there are events/activities (like fundraising orders) but also to get to know the members of the community that we are called to serve.
- Donut Sunday will be Nov. 5th following the 8am and 9:30am Masses; various PPC members are assisting.

Review of PPC Dates & Responsibilities:

Laini reviewed dates and noted specific areas of responsibility that will need to be covered.

- November's PPC meeting will be Nov. 30th; Dec. there will not be a PPC meeting.
 - Paul and June will host the PPC Christmas Party on 12/13 at 5pm. Gray, Paul and Lynn will be on the planning team.
 - Scot will serve as lead and Laini, Bob, Brenda and Gray will be on the planning team for parish Mardi Gras celebration on Feb. 13, 2024
 - Bob, Laini, and Jan will work on PPC station for Good Friday Stations of the Cross on March 29, 2024.
 - Rather than having a refreshment coordinator for PPC meetings, Jen will do an e-signup.

Priest Updates:

- 1. Fr. Octavio shared info about the Eucharistic Revival events happening in our Deanery; beginning in November, each parish in the West Placer Deanery (Holy Family CH, St. Joseph Marello GB, St. Joseph Lincoln, SS Peter & Paul Rocklin, St. Clare Roseville, St. Rose Roseville, and DS) will host an event to include Adoration; The first event is Nov. 11th hosted by St. Rose of Lima; DS will host our event and reception on March 22nd in the evening. This will take the place of one of our Stns. Of the Cross evenings; it was suggested that PPC assist with this date. Fr. Octavio will email out the schedule of these deanery events.
- 2. Fr. Octavio shared that our Mass count for the first weekend was 938; we are to have another Mass count this coming weekend.

Closing Prayer

Fr. Octavio led the closing prayer: "The Serenity Prayer"

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm; Next meeting is Nov. 30th in Y1.