

**Sainte Anne Parish
Parish Pastoral Council Meeting
Minutes
February 8, 2025**

PPC Members Present: Father Joseph Ogazie, Sister Pauline Fortin, Kirk Hassell, Jay Ocio, John Paul Bossé, Brian Carr, Diane Charette, Steve Volpe, and Kristen Ferry.

PPC Members Absent: Njinyah Ciro, Piotr Goszyznski, and Lukanda Laurent. Ms. Vielka Diaz had an excused absence.

Parish Members Present: Connie Kirby, Alma Pelletier, Judy Ware, Gloria Matton, and Louise Frederickson.

The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) meeting of February 8, 2025, commenced at 5:15 P.M. Father Joseph Ogazie opened the meeting with a prayer and wished the members a Happy New Year.

The minutes of the November 13, 2024, meeting were reviewed. John Paul Bossé moved for adoption, and this was seconded by Steve Volpe. The minutes were adopted.

1). Community Report

No members of the Cameroon and Filipino communities were present to provide updates for these parish communities.

Jay Ocio reported for the Filipino community and said that the Christmas celebrations at Ste. Anne were successful and thanked the parish for their support during the Christmas Season.

2). Christmas Pageant

Father Joseph praised the success of Christmas pageant / Nativity Play and thanked Louis Frederickson for organizing the pageant.

3). Pastoral Center (Ste. Anne School Building)

Judy Ware reported that an employee of the Drumland Group would meet on February 12 with the Building Committee to discuss recommendations for use of the school building and convent. Father Joseph also said that he is keeping various parishes in the Salem area, as well as the archdiocese informed about the status of the two buildings.

4). Grateful Discipleship

Father Joseph wants to prepare now for the Grateful Discipleship program with a goal to launch the program in June 2025. Kristen Ferry discussed that there are several ways to improve

the program from last year. She recommended that at least one person from each of the parish's communities serve as a representative on the Grateful Discipleship committee. She also stressed that veteran members of the parish serve on the committee. Father Joseph agreed. Connie Kirby expressed concern that last year, there was no follow up by the program to ensure that it met its goals of getting parishioners more involved via time, talent, and treasure. Father Joseph and Ms. Kerry agreed and said that this year, the committee needs to make sure that the goals are being executed. Father Joseph recommended that Ms. Kerry, heads of ministries, and other parishioners form the Grateful Discipleship committee.

6). Ste. Anne Calendar -- 2025

Father Joseph reviewed the parish's upcoming calendar for 2025. Some highlights are:

- June 1 for the Sacrament of Confirmation Celebration.
- July 27 was selected for the Parish Barbeque. That same day, one Mass will be held for the entire Parish at 11 A.M.
- Nov. 2 at 11:00 A.M. a Mass for the departed parishioners of Ste. Anne. At the 8:30 A.M. Mass there will be general intentions to remember deceased individuals. Ms. Ware recommended a Christmas tree to remember deceased parishioners of Ste. Anne, as well as a book for family members and friends to remember the deceased.

7). Other Business

Ms. Frederickson that two religious education students want to start a Youth Ministry Group especially focused on music and eucharistic adoration. Another student wants to focus on sporting activities. Father Joseph embraced the idea and said that the parish was focused on starting the youth ministry.

8). Cleaning the Church

Father Joseph said that the Finance Council approved a maintenance person. Brian Carr added that the approval was for \$100 a week. Ms. Ware said that the church needs a significant cleaning. Kirk Hassell said that the parish needs to be reasonable about the amount of work that the cleaner can provide at just twenty hours a month. Alma Pelletier said that parishioners need to volunteer to clean the church and Father Joseph agreed. Ms. Ferry recommended that parish spend money to clean the floor, and have volunteers clean the bathroom, etc. She also recommended a special collection be taken to help contribute towards hiring someone to clean certain areas of the church.

Fr. Joseph thanked everyone for being present at the meeting. He closed the meeting with a prayer. Motion to adjourn was made by Steve Volpe and seconded by Ms. Ferry. The meeting closed at 7:00 P.M.

The next PPC meeting is scheduled for **Saturday, April 12, 2025, at 5 P.M. at the church chapel.**

Respectfully submitted,

John Paul Bossé, Sainte Anne Parish PPC Secretary