

Uptown Catholic Pastoral Council Meeting
June 11, 2025

In Attendance: Tom Donnelly, Marian McSwigan, David Fiel, Cheryl Woods*, Fr. Tim Fahey, Martha Dorff, Anthony Cirillo, Joe Gubasta, Ginny Gubasta, Ray Faller, Margie Matthews

Absent: Karissa Dunn, Bill Mountel*, Fr. Jeff Stephens, Tom Herzog

*Cheryl Wood has not been appointed as a council member but attended the meeting to replace Rachel Roberts who moved.

* Bill Mountel has concluded his time with our council and will no longer be attending meetings

Prayer Fr. Tim

Reports and Announcements

- Catholic Bearcat Report – Karissa Dunn & Fr. Jeff not present
- Uptown Catholic Facilities Report – Tom Herzog not present
- Uptown Catholic Financial Report – Tom Herzog not present
- CRHP Movement Report – Margie Matthews
 - Completed 4th CRHP women's retreat
 - Approximately 75 individuals have attended a CRHP retreat
 - Attendees consist of young professionals, post grad students, moms, established parishioners & international residents ranging from an already committed faith to those searching for and understanding of the Catholic Faith
 - Next Spiritual Directors will be Liette McManaman & Sheridan Miller
 - Welcoming both parishioners and non-parishioners
 - Program is effective but an intense commitment opening the door for a modified version in the future

New Business

No new business at this time

Follow Up Items and Ongoing Matters

- Welcome Gatherings for Fr. Tim – Potential Dates
 - Monday, July 14: (Note: At the time of this meeting we did not have anyone to host this meeting however Heidi and Paul McKay have now volunteered)
 - Monday, July 28: Anthony and Elizabeth Cirillo will host at their home.
 - Monday August 11: Cheryl will host at Holy Name
 - Thursday, July 3rd: Wine & Cheese party at Annunciation
 - Men's group decided not to host since other groups will take precedence
 - Installation Mass and reception Tuesday, July 1st 6:30pm, followed by a reception
- Early thoughts about a new name for the family of parishes. Martha passed out a list provided by Bill Mountel of names already in use. Suggestions from the group include
 - St. Rita
 - St. Charles
 - St. Ambrose
 - Living Water (probably not acceptable)
 - Transfiguration

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- St. Monica
- Pope Leo (XIII ?)
- Patron Saint of Vocations
- Pastoral Council structure moving forward
 - Martha has presented Fr. Tim with notes from past meetings and asked him to evaluate
- Evangelization next steps for parish family
 - Discussion regarding the book Divine Revelation by James Mallon
 - Martha introduced the first two topics from the book re Culture for discussion
 - Give priority to the weekend
 - Hospitality (Welcoming the Stranger)
 - Brainstorming and action ideas regarding these two topics
 - Have Greeters at the doors of all churches
 - Invite the various ministries to gather, meet occasionally
 - Encourage participation in the liturgy
 - Individually say hello to people in the congregation; remember their name
 - Post Mass activities: brunch, food truck, fund raiser, community event
 - Pray the rosary after Mass
 - Ask someone “How can I pray for you?”
 - Make an announcement after Mass
 - Martha suggested that we discuss two of the items from Divine Renovation at each meeting

Meeting Schedule. Father Tim is working with parish staff to arrive at a good meeting time for all.

Closing Prayer: Fr. Tim