

St. Ann Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
May 10, 2023 | 6:00 PM St. Joachim Conference Room

In Attendance: Fr. Craig Maxim, Suzanne Ruhlman, Marty Thoennes, Paul Madden, Whitney Schairer, Hillary Carter, Tom Millard, Aaron Deacon, Charlotte Butler and Michaela Comstock

Absent: Katie Trenkle

1. Opening Prayer - Led by Tom Millard

- June 14 leader is Suzanne Ruhlman (celebration event)

1. Old Business

- Joe Myers, Terrence Gallagher and Hillary Carter have accepted the invitation to join the Pastoral Council. Hillary Carter was in attendance and gave a brief introduction about herself and family. Father has also extended an invitation to Cheri Milligan and waiting for a response. Cheri requested some time to discuss with her family.
- Father Craig approved the 6 plan areas. Each pastoral council member is tasked with reaching out to their team champion to make the ask for their participation. The confirmation of those team champions needs to happen quickly. The next step is to recruit team volunteers to begin working on tasks within each of the plan areas. Large and small group gatherings will need to be scheduled this summer and fall.

2. New Business

- Cry Room & Family Bathroom updates. It was brought to the attention of Charlotte Butler from a parishioner wanting to make some updates to the cry room and family bathroom. The hope is to make these two spaces more welcoming to families. Suggestions were new book, young children missal and baby supplies like diapers for the bathroom. Pastoral Council approved moving forward with these updates. Hillary Carter volunteered to help. Any items that need to be purchased it was advised to ask the parish before purchasing.
- Haiti Fund Request. The staff at St. Ann Church, School and YCC want to host a meal packing event as part of their 2023-2024 kick off event. The event costs \$7,000 and is run by Mission of Hope. The meals all get sent to schools in Haiti. The council approved the \$7,000 and requested more information on how the pallet jack is to be used to ensure the Gym floors are not damaged. Michaela Comstock will follow-up with Mission of Hope to check on the number of pallets and how they are to be moved around in the gym.
- The 4th Sunday of Advent falls on December 24, 2023. This means 4th Sunday of Advent and Christmas Eve fall on the same date. Father asked for input from Pastoral Council for adjusting morning Mass times for the 4th Sunday of Advent. The Pastoral Council agreed that only one morning Mass is needed on Sunday morning of 12/24. The mass time will be 10 AM.
- Two women of the parish want to begin offering fellowship after every weekend Mass. Per discussion of the pastoral council, Suzanne Ruhlman will reach out to ask for a more detailed plan to address the following items; funding, volunteer structure, staff, budget. Currently treat weekends are very difficult to find volunteers for once a month.
- Father Craig share the following staff updates/changes. Mr. Matthew Baumler has been hired as the business manager. His first day will be May 15th. He comes from Good Shepherd in Smithville. The following position are open and looking to be filled; Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. Janet Lovick is stepping away after 11+ years coordinating. Director of Evangelization and Parish Life is open and looking to be filled. Carrie Reiser resigned from this position and her last day will be May 31st.
- Daily Mass times will change starting August 14, 2023. To add consistency with times starting August 14th the 8:05 AM Mass will be 8:15 AM Monday – Friday. The 6:30 AM Mass will remain the same. Question was asked regarding Father Paul. As long as Fr. Paul is willing to celebrate the

6:30 AM Mass it will remain. Once Father Paul is no longer willing or able to celebrate Mass, that Mass will likely not remain.

- Spirit Night amount raised was requested to be shared to the parish. Parishioners support these nights and would like to see the amount being sent back to the school/ycc.
- Name tags were discussed. Would like to see this added and possibly include more name tags then just the greeters.

Closing Prayer – Father Craig Maxim

Pastoral Council Meeting Dates:

Time is 6:00 PM for all dates listed below.

2023

Wednesday, June 14, 2023 – 6 PM - St. John Bosco Room (prayer leader Suzanne) Celebration Event

No Meeting in July

Wednesday, August 9, 2023 – 6 PM - St. John Bosco Room

Minutes submitted by Michaela Comstock, May 16, 2023