



St. Francis de Sales Church

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Pastoral Council 14 Jan 2025 @ 7 pm

7:00 PM

- Attendance

Fr. Balachandra Miriyala	Not Present	Marty Brown	Not Present
Todd Giefer - President	Present	Mike Keohane	Present
Van Bert - Vice President	Present	Stephanie Pierce	Not Present
Isaac Rodriguez - Secretary	Present	Jeannine Edmonds – Finance Council	Present
Duane Tunink	Present	Carolyn Klemp Business Manager	Present
Emma Njoku	Not Present	Carrie Mathews Parish Life Coordinator	Present
Jon Smrtic	Present	Joan Leonard Director of Liturgical Music	Present
Katie Frandsen	Present	McKinzie Horsley	Present
Laura Mack	Present	Director of Religious Education and Youth Ministry	

- Welcome – Todd Giefer (President)
- Opening Prayer – Katie
- Review last meeting’s minutes – No objections: Approved for the record
- Old Business –
 - Youth Mass – Todd, “Sunday afternoon (12 Jan) was the first youth Mass. Not great attendance but it went over very well.” McKinzie, “Youth mass is set for the second Sunday of the Month, next one in February 9th.”
 - Christmas – Great job to Joan and all of her efforts! Todd, “Why is Midnight mass so poorly attended?” Joan, “Brass choir and other incentives draw more people to the 6pm mass.” Todd, “Maybe we should try to encourage more attendance at the midnight mass.”
 - o New Year’s Eve mass, feedback has been received that the mass is too late. Carrie, “Father deliberately set it early to deconflict from other local parishes and their mass offerings.”
 - Ministry Fair (19 Jan) - Carrie, “It has been advertised for the past 6 weeks in emails and the bulletin.” The goal is to identify new people, new volunteers for each of the ministries. It will go on during the 10:15 mass and allow folks to attend before and after the mass. The goal is to continue to do these ministry fairs at least twice a year. Once in January and again in September.
 - Organizations – Ministries are consolidated into a google slide deck. Todd, “Dueouts for financial needs are highlighted in Red on each slide.

Go into slide and identify financial requirements so we can consolidate for sending to the finance council.” Todd talked about each organization’s 4block slide and gave requirements for further feedback. Notes taken on each slide for which ministries need the most volunteers. The council reviewed input, ministry by ministry.

- Need volunteers to Chair or co-Chair the parish mission week. By February, if no volunteers are identified, we’ll appoint someone.
- Father mentioned that there is a need for an altar society. That may be one ministry that is a need. Carrie, “A parishioner has volunteered to run the altar society.” GREAT NEWS!
- Need to help the basement sale for May. Isaac will reach out to Ruth before the February meeting.

Next Session: 11 February 6pm

Pastoral Council meeting with the Finance Council – Feb 18 @ 6pm

Dueouts:

- Each council member must identify ministry financial requirements for 2025 and update the spreadsheet
- Each council member must fill in the red parts of the google slide deck, for their ministry: meeting times, etc. and identify who needs a page on the website:
 - Fill in current page address
 - Identify Need for a page
 - Put “NA” if not page is needed
- Council Volunteer to fill the Secretary position
 - Nominations and voting will be at the next meeting on 11 February
 - Nominations for a new council member from the Parish. Isaac’s last meeting will be 15 April.

