

Saint James Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
Jan. 24th, 2019 Msgr. John Miles Room 6:30 pm

Present > Fr. Peter Nguyen, Deacon Paul Murphy, Ivan Hysek, Maria Maciaszek, Albert Johnson, Audrey Fedyniak

Absent > Xanne Musick, Paul Rossetti

1. Welcome & Opening Prayer > Fr. Peter welcomed everyone to the meeting & led the Opening Prayer.

2. Approval of last minutes > moved by Ivan Hysek; seconded by Albert Johnson.

3. New Business:

- Bible Study > Ivan > There was an invitation to participate and information about the program in last week's bulletin. There will be 14 sessions in the Spring and 10 sessions in the Fall. The deadline to sign up has been extended to Wed., Jan. 30th. There will be another notice in the bulletin this weekend and Fr. Peter will speak at all the Masses.
- 2020 Parish Pictorial Directory > Audrey > Charles Balazs will meet with Fr. Peter, Fr. Swann and the pictorial committee on Mar. 4th at St. James. Rather than group photos of the members of the various groups, ministries, volunteers ... we will be submitting photos of our faith family in action as they participate in the many opportunities they have to be involved in the life of our parishes. We will need GOOD digital photos. Audrey will begin the process of contacting the coordinators
- The new proposal for the kitchen > Fr. Peter > no final decision has been made yet. The proposal would have the school being responsible for booking & catering. The CWL, K of C and Finance Committee are studying the proposal.
- Lenten devotion > Ash Wednesday is March 6th. More will be discussed in February. There will be Stations of the Cross on each Lenten Friday at 7:00 pm; different groups will lead > Deacon Paul will get hold of groups that led before.
- Parish's logo & Parish mission and vision statement: the group will be here at the February meeting and update us.
- Parish's volunteer commitment weekend > Fr. Peter and Deacon Paul will meet and agree on one weekend after Easter. More discussion will be held at the February meeting on how to encourage/inspire people to participate/volunteer in reading, choir, Eucharistic ministers . . .

4. Other:

- Vocations (Serra) > Deacon Paul > Vocation concept ties in with Vocation Holy Hour. CWL will lead the next Vocation Holy Hour. Deacon Paul will meet with K of C to see if they will lead one. He will ask CWL, K of C and Development & Peace for help to form a Vocation Committee. To generate interest to consider the priesthood or religious life, we need to plant seeds > Vocation Clubs for the youth & young people, share ideas to grow a plan on how best to promote vocations, send names to Deacon Paul to invite people who may be interested . . . Now > we can pray 15 minutes a day and ask Jesus to help us > we need His mercy and strength. May 12th, is Good Shepherd Sunday and is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. We may show something about

Vocations from YouTube before the 1st Sunday of Easter Mass. The second annual Vocations' Dinner will be held on May 22nd at the Kamloops Columbus Hall (Italian menu). Someone will check in to using the Schubert and Columbus Court buses for transportation to this event.

- Sunday Second Collection for those who do Auto Debit > Ivan > suggestions so people remember to contribute to the Second Collection > announcement at Mass or put a notice in the Bulletin that says "next week there will be a second collection" or people who do Auto Debit could just pull all the blue envelopes out of the box and keep them all in a place where they'll remember to use them.
- Sign to Parish Office > Ivan > Fr. Peter will remind the Maintenance Committee.

7. Pastor's Report

- FIA > we are over \$60 000. Thank you to everyone who participated.
- The Bishop has sent a note letting us know Confirmation for Vernon will be in June.
- The Finance Committee is working on a basic job description for the Maintenance Committee > how many members, whether or not they're appointed or elected, how long they can be on that committee. Gerard Kampman is the chairperson and is working on the job description.
- Bernadette > organist for senior choir > needs more people in her choir for Easter.
- CCODP collection > the money has now gone back to the National Office. Our Bishop wrote a letter about this which can be read on the Diocesan website.

8. Closing Prayer > led by Deacon Paul.

Next meeting: Thursday, **February 28th, 2019 @ 6:30 pm** in the Msgr. John Miles Room

Respectfully submitted by Audrey Fedyniak, recording secretary

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