



## Parish Council Minutes

Date: 6/27/2023

**In Attendance:** Anne Marie Gavel (Chair), Alma Dominguez, John Rimstad, Dennis Alvarado, Angela Piram, Beth Schorle, Fr. Liekhus, Fr. David

**Absent:** Casey Martin, Beth Coleman, Maureen Mahowald, Roma Lee Rasmussen

### Meeting Agenda

**Call to Order:** By Anne Marie Gavel at 6:30 PM

**Opening Prayer:** Parish Prayer recited by council members

**Reflection:** How do we view our ministries? How can we help our people? Led by Father Liekhus

### Old Business

Approval of May Minutes

Potluck Dinner on Aug. 5

### The council discussed the new Mission Statement

How do we personally connect with it?

What is the meaning of the Kingdom of God?

The fruit of Worship and the relationship with our creator. Why do we do what we do? What are the ways to meet our mission?

All Pillars are necessary to accomplish mission. They all work together to achieve our mission.

1. Worship
2. Education
3. Fellowship
4. Outreach

### **How do we engage Parish Ministries?**

Ministries may have different missions.

How do we to form relationships with those in need? Transactional view of sharing or helping people

How to be relational in our service?

Location of the lay experience in the secular world?

All of us are called to work in various ministries. Lay people are necessary to assist and participate with the Pastor. Ministry involves going out to share with the world. We do not necessarily know how a person may minister outside the church.

Provide tools and guide ministries to help with change. Rely on the Holy Spirit. Be aware of change and respect it. Understand where we are and where the Spirit will guide us.

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“The parish is not an outdated institution; precisely because it possesses great flexibility, it can assume quite different contours depending on the openness and missionary creativity of the pastor and the community.”

— Pope Francis, *The Joy of the Gospel: Evangelii Gaudium*

We have a spreadsheet with a list of ministries. What do we envision for ministries in 5 years? Current reality and where we want to be. What things ought we not to do?

Need for collaboration and understanding the importance of our Vision on the Ministries Process.

What is the relationship between the Council and Ministries?

Develop or strengthen small group ministry under Pastoral Ministry

Structure for training and guidance

What is small group ministry vs another ministry?

Consider a Survey tool/App to support ministries.

**The council discussed goals for a September Kickoff Meeting with leaders from the Parish ministries.**

Sept. 30, 2023 8 a.m.-noon ? Start with Mass.

A small planning group will meet in July and prepare a draft agenda. The council will review, edit and approval at the next council meeting.

### **Communications**

How to communicate to inspire parishioners?

Working with communications group

**Closing Prayer:** Father David