

**ST. MARY MAGDALENE
PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES**

January 22, 2024

Opening Prayer: 6:03pm led by Fr. Chris

In Attendance: Kim Celentano, Kathy Pipenhagen, Mary Calgaro, Kent Bell, Stephen Dombrowski, Jen Cunningham, Merrily Pearson
Absent: Matt Patterson
Guest: Fr. Arthur

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve Minutes: Kent Bell; Seconded by Jen Cunningham

Approval of Minutes Executive Session: Motion to approve Minutes: Merrily Pearson; Seconded by Ken Bell
Not everyone received notice of the Executive Session in Flock Notes. Will have to verify communication.

General Council Updates: Introduction and welcome to, Merrily Pearson.

In place of Juan Perez there is a temporary team of three people for the job.

Parish Community Events:

- Advent Pageant – People were very happy with it and want to do it again next year. Pictures and video were posted quickly on YouTube and Facebook.
- Trivia Night is February 9. There are now 19 tables. They need more donations for raffle baskets. Suggestion for Pastoral Council basket “Night with Clergy” Dinner with Fr. Chris and either Fr. Arthur or Fr. Sylvester. They will bring dinner up to \$300.00. Fr. Chris will supply wine for the basket.

Parish Construction Update:

- Rectory purchase: Have not heard back from diocese. A new Hall’s projected cost is up to \$5M.
- Two mosaics have been shipped. Should arrive at the end of the month.
- Executive session called to discuss and approve purchase of house that came on the market, which is on the perimeter of church property, for use as a rectory. The close would be Feb.17. Volunteer opportunity to help with painting, new bathroom addition, and some walls moved to accommodate the priest quarters. Max construction time 3 months.

Updates from the Pastor:

- State of the Parish Address – Emailed today to Pastoral Council to be presented to the parish.
- Pastoral Council Guidelines – Fr. Arthur presented.
 - Statutes should be gone over every 5 years.
 - Fr. Chris should not be doing all the talking.
 - Pastoral Council represents the community.
 - There should be communication disseminated and brought back to the council.
 - Pastoral Council, Finance Council and Staff work together.
 - Must be part of a quarterly PLC.
 - St. Mary Magdalene Organizational Chart with Pastoral Council oversight of Outreach, Parish Life, Evangelization and Sacred/Spiritual Ministries.
 - Review and Suggestions for Pastoral Council by-laws - Motion to approve: Jen C. Seconded by Kent B. All in favor.
 - Adopt Organizational Chart – Motion to approve: Jen C. Seconded by Steve D. All in favor.
 - Merrily and Kim will work on an updated ministry list.
 - Committee to work on By Laws – Fr. Chris, Jen C., Kent B., and Kathy P.

Open Forum: Discussion on official voting membership to the pastoral council membership, according to the statutes, is to be voted on not assigned.

Closing Prayer: 7:45pm led by Fr. Chris

Next Meeting: 6:00pm February 12, 2024

→ requested revision to include: Fr. Arthur + Fr. Chris feel appointing a member is appropriate. This will be added to the revised statutes.