



St. Lucy and St. Monica Parishes

Methuen, Massachusetts

COLLABORATIVE PASTORAL COUNCIL

MINUTES

September 6, 2019

The Collaborative Pastoral Council assembled in the Conference Room at St. Lucy Schoolhouse; the following people were in attendance: Fr. Darin Colarusso, Dcn. John Kobrenski, Dcn. John Pierce, Karl Jackson, Andrea Bradstreet, Bob Brouder, Mary Jo Farelli, Rachel Voiland and Sharon Walsh.

Fr. Colarusso opened the meeting with a prayer and welcomed everyone back.

Last month's minutes were accepted with one amendment.

Pastor's Update

-Karl Jackson's title has been changed to Director of Mission & Formation; striving for a commitment to excellence, standardizing policies and procedures.

-Feasibility Study – of 28 names submitted, 12 were interviewed by a company hired by the Archdiocese. There will be a meeting on 9/15/19 in the St. Lucy Schoolhouse to go over the feasibility study.

-Estate giving – St. Lucy needs an estate giving push. St. Monica receives estate donations, but the push will be done in both parishes just the same.

St. Monica Chapel – The costs will be approximately \$18K to refurbish the pews, \$4K for new kneelers and \$5K for paint. A \$30K estate gift was donated to St. Monica of which \$26K is for the chapel and \$4K for deceased persons of that family. The anticipated timeframe for the chapel renovation is Sept-Oct 2019.

-Finances are in good shape

-Fr. Gianni will be available on Wednesdays. Fr. Colarusso and Fr. Joe will be off on Wednesday's. This will allow Fr. Colarusso more time to visit the school.

Director of Mission & Formation Update

-Implement a Parish Mission – add degree of professionalism and excellence. Ensure Ministry leads have what they need to be effective in their roles. How are we equipping them? We need to:

Be a Disciple

Make a Disciple

Equip a Disciple

-Develop a Baptism Prep Program in conjunction with St. Francis, Dracut and All Saints, Haverhill. Many Godparents don't meet the Catholic requirements to be Godparents. Having the conversation with the parents and Godparents to educate can also be an opportunity to Evangelize.

-A Collaborative Calendar has been created; it's on the website. This will assist greatly in scheduling.

-The website is being refurbished with Isabela's assistance.

Collaborative Pastoral Council (CPC) Bylaws

Tabled

Dcn. John K closed the meeting with a prayer.

The next meeting will held on Thursday, October 4, 2019 at 7:15pm in the St. Lucy Schoolhouse.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon A. Walsh