

NOVEMBER 14, 2018

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

The meeting was opened with a reflection on how the charity and kindness of PC members is a good example to the parish. Those attending were Frs. Peter and Paul, Phillip Mendoza, Susan Pyle, Nga Trinh-Vu, Luis Frias, Robert Sepulveda, Luong Nguyen, Marvin Wright, Viviana Alderete, and Beth Beissel.

**IGNITE: OUR FAITH, OUR MISSION:** SJM has made a good start toward reaching its' goal of \$907,414.00. With pledges and contributions still being received, total campaign figures are still being tallied. The IGNITE committee will continue to meet to make plans for the next phases of the campaign.

**DSF:** The parish is within a few thousand dollars of not only meeting, but exceeding 2018's goal! Funds collected over this year's goal will be applied to DSF 2019. A heartfelt thank you to the 471 parishioners who supported DSF 2018 with their contributions; they may never know how many lives their generosity has impacted! Final figures for DSF 2018 will be available shortly.

**MASQUERADE BALL:** It was reported that the evening was a success and enjoyed by all! Underwriters and donors were thanked; a bulletin insert on November 24-25, 2018, will detail donations, expenses, and profit for the evening. Funds raised will be applied to DSF.

**MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT:** Council members will be available to answer questions about the work of Pastoral Council after all Masses the weekend of November 17-18, 2018.

Sat. 5:30pm: Luis, Marvin      Sun. 8:00am: Beth, Robert      Sun. 10:00am: Susan, Phillip  
Sun. noon: Nga, Bruce      Sun. 5:00pm: Viviana

**NEW COUNCIL MEMBERS:** Please submit to Fr. Paul the names of those willing to work as parish leaders on the Council. A number of current members will be completing their terms soon.

It was noted that youth and young adults should be included in meaningful ways in the life of the parish. Plans are being made for Taize sessions designed to appeal to this group. More details will be forthcoming.

Fr. Paul asked council members for their thoughts and prayers for peace and healing regarding the soon-to-be released list by the bishops of Texas of credible allegations of clergy abuse.

The final meeting of 2018 will be a potluck Christmas gathering at the home of Viviana with an optional gift exchange (\$20 limit) on Friday, Dec. 7, 2018. Spouses are welcome. More details will follow.

The meeting was closed with a reflection.

Submitted by Beth Beissel

