



**ST. JOAN OF ARC CHURCH  
PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL  
MARCH 8, 2022**

**Members Present:**

Rev. Gabriel Baltus, OSB  
Maureen Cunningham  
Mathew Klody  
Tom Kmiecik  
Jaqueline Skelly

Tracy Szalek  
Andrea Uribe  
Bradley Vaupel  
Matt Zurek

**Absent:**

Mike Budd  
Andrew Hackley  
Mary Beth Kerner  
Mary Agnes Laguatan  
Dave Mankowski

Bob Miller  
Dan O'Connor  
Rev. James Radek  
Leanne Van Gronigen  
Dick Webb

**I. OPENING**

Evening Prayer was held in Room 22 of the Parish Center at 7:00 p.m.

The Meeting began at 7:07 p.m.

**II. OLD BUSINESS**

**Approval of Minutes**

February minutes were approved by Mat Klody and seconded by Maureen Cunningham.

**School Family Participation in Ministries**

The listing of outreach and liturgical ministries and catechetical/faith formation opportunities in which school parents will be expected to be involved/attend was distributed to the Council Members.

If families choose to attend a catechetical opportunity, such as Bible Study, or participate in a one-time outreach event, such as Harvest Sunday, they will need to participate in at least three of these events. Participation in one "ongoing" ministry will suffice.

Fr. Gabriel will discuss with Principal Michelle Picchione how best to present this information to the school families.

### **III. PASTOR'S ADDRESS**

#### **Synod on Synodality**

During this Diocesan phase of the Synod on Synodality, the Diocese has asked us to get feedback from the parish on a number of questions. The Diocese has asked for our parishioners' feedback by May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

The survey formulated by our Synodality Committee was distributed to the Council members. This survey will soon be sent to the parish for their feedback. The Council members suggested a reordering of some of the survey questions.

We will also have a larger listening session/meeting which parishioners can attend next month.

#### **Update on Bell Arch**

Work has begun on pouring the foundation for the new bell arch in the North parking lot. Fr. Gabriel is traveling to the Verdin Company in Cincinnati this week to view the progress on the refurbishing of the bells. Our hope is that the bells will be installed in the new arch in time for Easter.

### **IV. NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Centennial Celebration**

The Council members were invited to share their ideas on ways to celebrate our centennial in 2024.

This is also a time to look towards our future goals and vision as a parish.

#### **Dispensation from Sunday Obligation**

We anticipate that Bishop Hicks will lift the dispensation from the Sunday Obligation the Second Sunday of Easter, if not sooner. The Council members discussed how to address the challenge of getting people back to Mass once the Sunday obligation is reinstated.

### **V. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **Greeters for Easter Masses**

Matt Zurek asked that the Council members submit their availability to serve as greeters for the Easter Masses.

## **Adoration Hour**

Once Eucharistic Exposition resumes on Wednesdays, those Council Members who are available are asked to serve as adorers on Wednesdays at 7:00pm on a rotating schedule.

## **Terms on Parish Pastoral Council**

Some of the Pastoral Council members whose terms expired during the pandemic were kept on for a longer length of time, but will not be extended past June. Those who are eligible for a second term are asked to communicate to Matt Zurek whether they wish to remain on the Council.

## **Next Meeting**

The next Parish Pastoral Council meeting will be on Tuesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00pm in Parish Center Room 22. There will be no April meeting.

## **VI. CLOSING**

The meeting ended at 8:35 p.m. Closing prayer was the Salve Regina.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Beth Kerner  
Recording Secretary