



Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Parish
150 Fleury Avenue
Prescott, AZ 86301

Pastoral Council Committee Meeting Minutes Nov 9, 2020
“Being the Living Example of God’s Love to Others”

Present: Fr. Raj, Jim Wren, Mike King, Henry Cromeek, Judy Carlisi, Mark Matthews, Margarita Arellano, Greg Kozlowski

Absent: Beth Luce

Guests: Kevin Keighron

Meeting called to order: The meeting was called to order by Mike King at 4:00pm

Opening Prayer: Led by Margarita Arellano

Approval of minutes: Sept 8, 2020 minutes approved

I Parish Manager’s Report: Jim Wren

- A. Advent Mission:** December 6-7, 2020. Fr. Zachary will be leading this year’s mission. There will be three topics with sessions being offered late morning and early evening. Fr. Zachary will be celebrating all the masses that weekend and giving the homilies.
- B. Safe Environment Training:** Please make sure to renew online.
- C. Parish Christmas Gift:** “I Heard God Laugh,” by Matthew Kelly, to be distributed to parishioners.
- D. Parish Manager Vacation:** Jim Wren will be away on vacation from Dec 12-Jan 7, 2021
- E. Ascent Webinar:** Two day-two part webinar. Each session is 1 ½ hours. Webinar has been recorded and is available. Day 2 is presented by Bishop Olmsted. Highly recommended. Please email Jim if interested.
- F. Ministry Booklets:** Updated copies available and passed out to Pastoral Council.
- G. Diocesan Panel:** Sacred Heart is participating on a panel of five Diocesan parishes to revise the software used to promote the CDA and to track participation with CDA.
- H. International Catholic Stewardship Conference:** Summary notes from ICSC shared with Pastoral council members; certain notes highlighted - **See Attachment A**
- I. Sacred Heart Catholic Church Website:** 1500-2000 new views every month. Jan 1-Oct 7, 2020 we received 52,000 views. Flocknotes are also sent out about once per week.

II Pastor’s Report: Fr. Raj

- A. Word of Thanks:** Fr. Raj expressed thanks for dedicated staff and volunteers to promote the mission of the parish.
- B. New Parishioners:** 110 Families registered last year. 25-30 families attended the last new parishioner get together. They want to be involved in the parish and in ministries.
- C. Claret Feast:** Oct. 24, 2020. Bishop Nevares attended. The Bishop was pleased with the event and the parish participation.
- D. Liturgical Minister Meeting:** 60 people attended.
- E. Holy Hours:** Dec. 4, 2020 from 10am-6pm we will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and confession from 12 noon to 6pm.
- F. Thanksgiving and Christmas:** 9am Mass on Thanksgiving. Christmas preparations underway.
- G. Our Lady of Guadalupe:** To be celebrated with Mass. Mananitas at 5am, Masses at 5:30am and 2pm and dancers, in honor of Our Lady, to watch outside at 3pm. Details will be in an upcoming bulletin.
- H. Covid 19 Updates:** Meetings have resumed with a limit of 50 people. Special care taken regarding masks and social distancing.

- I. **City gathering of faith leaders:** Mayor Mengarelli is calling a meeting of all faith leaders to discuss ways that churches can be more integrated and improve relationships with other groups.
- J. **Veterans Day Parade:** Middle school students to attend. Cards will be distributed to the Veterans, but not during the parade.
- K. **Vacation Time Fr. Raj:** Fr. Raj will be on vacation 4-5 weeks starting November 13, 2020.

III Old Business:

- A. **Slide Show: Spirituality of Stewardship:** Pastoral council watched a slide show which explored stewardship as a disciple's response. There are negative and positive perceptions we have in regards to stewardship. Stewardship is an invitation to take us to the love of Jesus. In finding gratitude we can be better stewards.
- B. **Pastoral Plan:** Fr. Raj passed out a 3 page handout regarding the Faith formation section of the Plan. The principal at Sacred Heart Catholic School, the director of religious education and the director of adult faith formation and RCIA will need to give input into this plan and how we adapt it to Sacred Heart. **See attachment B.** Pastoral council is to review this document for the next meeting and give feedback.
- C. **Mission, Vision, Values:**
Fr. Raj would like to see ministries built up. He will start with a Committee called D-5 ("d" for "disciples") and work up to a committee called D-12 (referencing the Apostles.)² Jim would like to see T.E.A.M training Presented to all councils in the February timeframe.

IV New Business:

- A. **Claretian Religious Congregation -** The Claretian missionaries are worldwide in 64 countries. A panel of participants along with the Claretian Priests gave feedback on both achievements and suggestions for the future of the life and mission of the parish.
See Attachment C - Appreciative Inquiry.
 - 1. **Suggestions:** Some Pastoral council members brought up suggestions on how we may strengthen this mission including promoting a stronger youth Mass, and a display board with the locations of the 68 missions. Mike King suggested we all go to the Claretian website to get a sense of the scope of their missionary work.
<https://www.myclaret.org/our-ministries>

IV – Announcements: Next meeting is January 25th. 4-5pm. If the Executive Council meets it will be meeting from 3-4pm prior to the general Pastoral Council. Mike King will let us know prior to the meeting what his decision is.

V - Action items: Review attachments B and C. Be ready to discuss C. Fr, Raj encouraged Pastoral Council Members to be more engaged in Parish Council topics, including being prepared for the topics on the agenda and to do "our homework."

VI- Closing Prayer - Margarita Arellano

VII Meeting Adjourned at 5:10

Respectfully submitted by Judy Carlisi