



**Pastoral Council Meeting
October 30, 2017**

Minutes

Msgr. John Urell

**Herman Indra
Chairman**

**Clare Marie Einsmann
Secretary**

**Nivea Torres Naficy
Alternate Secretary**

Margaret Hruz

Noel Nepomuceno

Michele Richards

Rick Wlodyga

Gathering and Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Herman Indra at 7:07 p.m.

Members present:

Herman Indra
Clare Einsmann
Nivea Torres Naficy
Noel Nepomuceno
Michele Richards
Rick Wlodyga
Monsignor John Urell

Members absent:

Margaret Hruz

Also present:

Father Vincent Pham

Minutes

Clare Einsmann presented the minutes of the prior meeting. A copy of said minutes is attached here to and shall become a part of these minutes. After review and consideration, Rick Wlodyga moved to approve the minutes. Michele Richards seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Reports

Welcoming

Herman Indra reported that the October 22nd's Welcoming Reception only had 6 attendees. Monsignor Urell indicated that there are three Welcoming Receptions each year and the best attending is the reception in June. Despite

personal invitations and phone calls, the new parishioners often have other engagements on Sunday mornings. Father Vincent suggested that we try texting the new parishioners – since many of them are younger families, they may respond better to a text message.

Father Vincent also suggested that the celebrant at the Mass on a designated Sunday each month welcome the visitors and new parishioners to St. Timothy's and ask them to stand up and be recognized.

Great Catholic Parish

The staff, members of the Pastor Council and some more active members of the parish community will be meeting on Thursday, November 2nd to discuss "The Great Catholic Parish". Monsignor Urell asked for suggestions for another individual and several names were suggested.

Communication Ministry

Monsignor Urell reported that the Communication Ministry is reviewing the parish print, social media and website. They have created three small subgroups who are studying each of these issues. They are directed to see how these communication methods effect those who come to Mass but are not involved. There is also work being done to study where these communication issues can lead, including a new staff position for communication.

Monsignor Urell indicated that the Stewardship will be presenting a video prepared to demonstrate the testimony of several of parishioners involved in ministries on the weekend of November 8th and 9th.

New Business

Solar Panels

Informative articles on solar panels have been in the parish bulletin for the past few weeks. Noel Nepomuceno said that he went to St. Kilian's to see their solar system and thought it was beautiful. Monsignor Urell said the project will take about a month and no parking spots will be lost once the project is complete. There are only a limited number of poles and the electrical center is located near the area where the solar panels will be located.

Habitat for Humanity

Herman Indra reported that the Habitat for Humanity home had its groundbreaking ceremony on Mon, Oct 23, construction will start in about 6 weeks. A veteran family had been selected for the home. Information regarding participation on the construction will be forthcoming.

Our Father's Table

Our Father's Table and the Diocese will be holding an Inter-Religious Memorial service to remember the homeless who died on the streets of Orange County in 2017. The event will be on December 21st. The homeless will be invited but it is unknown whether any of the homeless will attend.

Pastoral Council

Monsignor Urell would like us to consider whether we would like to continue to be a member of the Pastor Council. He also asked the members to recommend to him to bring any possible members to the Council.

Mass Attendance

Monsignor Urell reported that the annual monthly count of attendees at Mass was statically the same as 2016. The total monthly attendance is 8308 and the average weekly attendance is 2077.

Adjourn

There being no further business before the Council the meeting was adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Clare Marie Einsmann
Council Secretary

Attested to by,



Herman Indra
Council Chairman