



**Pastoral Council Meeting
August 27, 2018**

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 at 7:05 p.m. by Herman Indra.

Members present

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

Members Absent

None

Opening Prayer

Monsignor Urell opened the meeting with a prayer

Discussion Regarding Church Issues

Monsignor Urell asked for comments regarding the issues that have been raised by Pennsylvania Grand Jury report, released on August 15, covering the period of 1947-2002 in many of the dioceses of Pennsylvania, in which hundreds of abuse allegations and cases were revealed, as well as the action/inaction of Bishops with many of the accused priests.

PPC members expressed their concerns that the report focuses on the bishops and their failures during those years. The cover-up magnified the worst of the sexual abuses perpetrated by some members of the clergy and some Church lay people.

One member commented Bishop Vann's recent letter was very strong. Others are concerned that this will drive more Catholics away from the Church.

Monsignor Urell said he is very upset about this as many are re-living the pain that many experienced when our Diocese opened all of our files in 2002 when the abuse settlements were announced and that trust in Church leadership is further eroded.

The PPC thought that Bishop Vann's letter was very strong in that he called the abusers satanic and evil and that prayer and action are needed; some of the PPC members felt that the Pope's letter was not strong enough condemning the evil doings of the priests and the hierarchy in past years.

Minutes of Prior Meeting

Clare Einsmann presented the minutes of the prior meeting. A copy of said minutes is attached hereto and shall become a part of these minutes. Rick Wlodyga moved to approve the minutes. Nivea Torres Naficy seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Reports

Welcoming Report

Clare commented that she made a few calls. During one of the calls, Amy shared that her son, who attended St. Timothy's Vacation Bible School, said that his favorite thing during the summer was the VBS.

PPC Moving Forward

The new document for the Pastoral Council was distributed. New members wishing to become members of the Pastoral Council should complete the form. The form will be used at the Ministry Expo.

Current members should also complete a new membership application if they wish to continue on the Pastoral Council.

Monsignor Urell received a volunteer for the setup of the Expo from his announcement at the Masses. Patrick McNally has volunteered to design the layout.

Ministry Expo

Michele Richards is working on the Ministry Expo. She is proposing a booth or table with just words that describe who we are with the Council's goals. And if someone is questioning some of those goals, there is the section in the document that the Pastoral Council is looking for the certain attributes. At the Ministry Expo, this document can be handed to people interested to help them understand if they have the characteristics we are seeking.

Michele Richards set up a schedule for individuals to work the ministry expo table. She will send a table schedule.

Solar Panels

The solar panels have been turned on and it came in under budget. It will be interesting to see the difference

PSA

With 15 more people to make pledges we will receive a \$1,000 bonus from the Diocese for the number of donors.

Parish 40th Anniversary

The 40th anniversary of St. Timothy Parish is July 13, 2020. We need ideas for the celebration. Nivea Torres Nacify suggested that people love to participate in party here on site with dinner, entertainment and dancing.

Other suggestions included a Mass with Bishop Vann followed by a party; development of a theme throughout the year; spiritual renewal with a speaker; outreach program; statue of St. Timothy; create an "anniversary" committee.

Then the question was posed as to whether the 40th anniversary is worth celebrating.

New Items

Adult Bible Study

The Adult Bible Study was well attended and well received. It was not available in the mornings because of Randy Lopez's schedule. Perhaps next year it will be given in July so it will not interfere with his teaching schedule.

Habitat for Humanity

Herman Indra reported that the house in Tustin should be completed in November. In September Monsignor Urell and Bishop Vann will be there to bless the house.

The City of Fullerton has donated property for twelve duplexes which will be built over the next 3 years. The Catholic Coalition voted to continue their support and raise \$100K/year for the development of these projects.

Laguna Niguel Interfaith Commission

On September 27th the Laguna Niguel Interfaith Commission will have the Mayor's Breakfast of Compassion at 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. at the El Niguel Country Club. The speakers will discuss compassion and there will be Family Assistance Ministry and South County Outreach. The Knights of Columbus are selling the tickets for this event.

New Business

Monsignor Urell reported that this year's RCIA class has 14 people – mostly younger men.

Today was the first day of school at St. Catherine's. Monsignor Urell will be at the school most Wednesdays. It is a very small school with only 130 students and it needs to grow.

There is a new assistant for Bev, Norma Molina, who started work today. Drew will be the new custodian. The Parish Finance Report will be presented to the parish for the end of the fiscal year and put in the bulletin.

The Stations of the Cross which were donated by a family of the parish were installed. There were a few negative comments regarding the locations of the new stations.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Clare Marie Einsmann
Council Secretary

Attested to by,



Herman Indra
Council Chairman