

**ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA CATHOLIC CHURCH
PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES FOR MARCH, 2017**

Attendees: Fr. Jesse, Johanna Blanchard, Tina Robledo, Willie Garcia, Steve Melaragno, and Sr. San Juanita

Absent: Chris Thompson, Rebecca Shawver, Jesus Salazar, and Mr. Mo

Meeting convened at 7:05 with prayer.

February minutes could not be approved since we didn't have a quorum.

Old Business

- All the money for the vestments has been collected.
- Talked more about updating the kitchen. Discussed getting a Design Committee together to study options. Fr mentioned that Deanna Ennis, Associate Director of Construction and Preventive Maintenance for the Diocese will be doing a site assessment for St. Mary's.
- Neo Catechumenal Way still going well. They had a beautiful penance service with about 20 people in attendance besides the instructors.
- Festival – Off to a good start. Raffle tickets are out. Money starting to come in. Fr. wants to create teams to sell raffle tickets at the local parishes, as well as, St. Michael's in Houston and St. Christophers. Mentioned that we should always have a team selling tickets after the Sunday 5:00 mass since there are always quite a few visitors. The Knights (Ramsey) are in charge of the BBQ.
- Fall Craft Fair – A meeting is scheduled for Thurs 3/9 at 1:30 for Tina, Becki & Steve, Kathy Trapani, and Connie.
- Fr presented a new version of the logo. A few more suggestions were made to improve the logo. Hopefully, this will be the final. We plan to use the new logo on the festival t-shirts.

New Business

- The sound system in the parish hall has been moved several times, missing power supply. Steve suggested setting back up and creating Guidelines for Parish Hall use. The suggestion was made to ask Larry Fansher to check out the sound system. Steve will get the power supply if Sr. San Juanita doesn't have it in her office.
- Discussed re-keying the facility.

Updates

Sr. San Juanita reported there will be a First Eucharist Retreat on 4/22 for 3hrs. Also an all-day Confirmation Retreat on 4/29.

There are 20 candidates for First Communion and 20 for Confirmation

Jasmine Carrizales will represent St. Mary's on the Archdiocesan Youth Council. She will be attending the discernment at Camp Kappe. The Youth Council will meet 3-4 times a year at various locations.

We need more volunteers for Core. Sr. mentioned there will be a new program to replace LifeTeen and Edge

RCIA has 13 candidates. They will be going to the Rite of Election at the Co-Cathedral at 3PM Sunday, 3/5.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Johanna Blanchard, Council Member