



Pastoral Council Minutes November 19, 2017

Members in Attendance: Fr. Terry Keehan, Fr. Rich Jakubik, Jack Shedd, Ro Geisler, Bernie Schaeffer, Joe Ferlita, Pauline Carlson, Barb Knuth, Cattie Tenzillo, Karina Chavez, Chad Archer, Luis Gutierrez, Mike Myers, Bill Leece

Members Absent: Rick Zanardo, Bob Keller, Alexandra Posey, Anthony Piasecki, Andrew Konopka

Chairman Chad Archer called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

I. Mission and Faith First

- Chad shared a Prayer for Leaders.

II. Mission Effectiveness and Pulse of the Parish

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- Kate O' Brien and Cattie, on behalf of Holy Family Catholic Academy, accepted the Blue Ribbon Award in Washington, D.C. About 350 schools won the award, but only 50 were private schools. Of those 50, 35 were Catholic, with 6 being from Chicago.
- Barb likes seeing the names of the sick, deceased and Mass intentions projected.
- Joe watched a live stream feed of NCYC, and excellent use of technology.
- Jack thought it was a nice touch to receive a personalized letter for the Beloved Retreat.

III. Approval of the October Council Minutes

- Jack made a motion to approve the October minutes. Bernie seconded the motion. All were in favor.

IV. Introductions

- For the benefit of new members, council members introduced themselves.

V. Pastor's Report

- Fr. Terry shared an extended reflection on this Sunday's Gospel, the Parable of the Talents and the Awaken theme.

VI. Pastoral Council Retreat

- The council shared reflections and discussions on three excerpts from the book "Great Catholic Parishes: A Living Mosaic" by William E. Simon
 - ▶ Listening to Lay People
 - ▶ From Mirrors to Windows, Maintenance to Mission
 - ▶ Reaching Millennials

VII. Closing Prayer

- Jack shared a closing prayer.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:45pm.

The next meeting date is Tuesday, December 19, 2017 at 7pm.

Respectfully submitted, Chad Archer