

**Saint John the Baptist –
Pastoral Outreach Commission
Monthly Meeting Agenda / Minutes**

Date:	Sept 16, 2015	Recorder:	Michelle Chock	Chair:	Stephanie C.
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Member/Attendee	Present	Member/Attendee	Present
Stephanie C.	Yes	Deacon Rod Palmer	Yes
Matt G.	No	Jacque S.	Yes
Leonard H.	Yes	Mike S.	Yes
Jeanne S.	Yes	Brandon Z.	No
Tom L.	Yes		

Agenda

- I. Mass/Liturgy 5:30 pm**
- II. Light Meal 6:00 pm – 6:30 pm**
- III. Meeting 6:35 pm – 7:30 pm**

Opening Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in us the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and we shall be created, and you shall renew the face of the earth. Let us pray: O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit instructs the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and forever rejoice in His consolations. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

Review June Meeting Minutes

Discussion: Reviewed and committee approved
Conclusion/Action: None

PLC Feedback – Mike

Discussion: Reviewed PLC Minutes and had no additional comments.
Conclusion/Action: None

Goals and Priorities for 2015-2016

<p>Discussion: Discuss goals & priorities for current year.</p> <p>Goals from 2014-2015: <i>Continue to explore ways to increase parishioners' awareness of the many pastoral programs our parish has to offer. Work with the Center for Mission of the Archdiocese to clarify what groups and activities we support as a parish. Explore ways that we can educate parishioners on the Church's rich social teaching.</i></p> <p>Ideas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Review current ministries and develop matrix, i.e. commitment level, indirect/direct service, one-time/on-going, communities served. Enlist help from volunteer coordinator. Goal: Better understanding of current ministries. - Create Guidelines for new ministries i.e. parameters for ministries to fall under Pastoral Outreach, review process, trial period.
Conclusion/Action: Submitted and waiting on approval from PLC/Fr Jaspers

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Update from Brandon

Discussion: Brandon has a scheduling conflict with a mandatory class he must take this semester. He will be unable to attend any of the 4 meetings in 2015. If the group approves, he will review anything online via email in between meetings and provide feedback as requested.

Conclusion/Action: Leonard will email Matt to see his status. Brandon will remain a member with email reporting until his Wednesday night class is over.

Weekend Hospitality Request

Discussion: Request from Patty Abraham for us to host weekend hospitality.
Dates open October 3rd/4th and 17/18th.

Conclusion/Action: Those 2 dates do not work for the commission. We will volunteer after the first of the year.

“Life and Dignity” Sunday - Jacquie

Discussion: "Life and Dignity" Sunday to be celebrated on Oct. 10 and 11 in all the dioceses across the state. Article from Winona Diocese: <http://dowcourier.org/life-dignity-sunday-p735-163.htm>

- Ideas about to see if our commission has any ideas about how we could support or assist it in our parish.

Conclusion/Action: Jacquie has been in contact with Fr Jaspers. Waiting on Fr's response.

Updates from ministries: continued from June

Discussion

- Partners In Mission, present proposed change in strategy of how donations are handled.
- Feed My Starving Children

Conclusion/Action: PIM – Discuss more in October. FMSC – Set a date in early November.

Laudato Si now part of POC

Discussion: From July email - Fr. Jaspers reviewed the curriculum for an offshoot group of “JustFaith” a 10-week study of the papal encyclical “Laudato Si”. The group may meet at SJB or in homes. He determined that the group would fall under the Parish Outreach Commission since it is a social justice item.

Conclusion/Action: Discuss more at October meeting

Blue Sky – Open Blue Sky – Open Discussion

Discussion: None

Conclusion/Action: None

Closing Prayer – Deacon Rod Palmer

2015-2016 meeting dates:

~~Sept 16~~, Oct 21, Nov 18, Dec 9, Jan 20, Feb 17, Mar 16, Apr 20, May 18 and Jun 8.