

St. John The Baptist Parish Groups & Activities Commission

Meeting Minutes

Date: 12/14/2021

Attendees: Rita, Steve, Tom, Maria, Tessa, Joseph

Absent:

Guest: Jim Glaser, Molly, Jim and Fr. Paul (for the last 15 minutes)

Opening Prayer

Group Updates

- **Commission is still five members short, but we had two prospective members join us tonight to discern becoming members**

- **PGA Commission Group Liaisons have been finalized**

- **Review**
 - We reviewed our Workbook Goals to be sure everything was up to date and proceeding forward.
 - We helped with hospitality on December 4 and 5 and it went very well. Shout out to Steve helping with both the Masses on Sunday.
 - We spent a lot of time working through the task of defining what a 'ministry' is. One definition we produced was "A ministry is a resource provided to parishioners and the community to fulfill our parish core values." While this is good progress, we started finding holes in the definition and a need to define our other activities as well. We want to have a fair representation of all our groups, committees, activities, and ministries, so we invited Fr. Paul to join us for the last 10 – 15 minutes to give some thoughts. Information from Fr. Paul was very helpful for going forward. Our plan is to delve back into this discussion during our next (January) meeting.

- **New Business/Discussion**
 - Our list of groups and activities under our jurisdiction don't match the listing under PGA in the guidebook directory. We need to coordinate with those that update these lists to be sure we have the correct information

- **Open Items**
 - New members still needed

Next Meeting

- Scheduled for January 18, 2022
- Focus Goal 1A – Defining what a ‘Ministry’ is
- Recruiting efforts

Closing Prayer