

St. John The Baptist

Parish Marketing and Ministries Commission Meeting Minutes

Date: 11/18/2025

Attendees: Rita, Marie, Joseph, John, Taylor, John, Tessa, and Jessica

Absent: Melissa, Sarah, and Mark

Guest: Molly D.

Opening Prayer

- Welcome to new Molly D.

- Old Business
 - CCW Update

- New Business
 - New Commission Year
 - We need a new chair
 - Marie agreed to be chair at the last meeting
 - We need a new PLC representative
 - Jessica tried out being the PLC representative last month and agreed to continue for now
 - Worked on our new mission statement because we changed our group name from Parish Groups and Activities to Parish Marketing and Ministries
 - After some discussion on this, we decided working out our year goals before re-writing the mission statement would help us to better understand the scope of our commission going forward.
 - Worked on our goals:
 - Transform our meeting rooms (Saints, quotes, art)
 - Fill out our commission (need one more person)
 - Check in with our ministries regularly
 - Revamp our parish website
 - Have a different ministry report each month (report would be given by a member of that prospective ministry)
 - Other ways that we could support our ministries
 - Continued discussion of our new mission statement
 - After much discussion and some use of AI to help organize thoughts we all agreed on this working mission statement:
 - “The Parish Marketing and Ministries Commission is dedicated to communicating Christ’s Mission and helping our community grow in faith by fostering community engagement, enhancing sacred spaces, and strengthening parish ministries. We create meaningful opportunities for all to share their gifts in service to God and one another.”
 - We will submit this to Father Paul and leadership to seek feedback and/or approval
 - Discussion on transforming our meeting rooms
 - Reviewed
 - Continued discussion on using a quote from the saint each room is named after
 - Each member is doing research on their saints and will bring back their top choice/choices of quote/s to the next meeting. (or send them to Rita before the meeting)

- We will have to know what our budget is so we can plan accordingly
 - We all liked the idea of adding plants or a form of greenery
 - We will want to keep communication lines open with Father Paul so we can make sure we are keeping in line with his vision
 - Once the plan is approved, who will be in charge of moving the project forward, and maintaining the new additions?
 - Possibility of making each room themed to the time period/details of that saint's life. I.e. Saint Kateri's room could be Native American themed.
- Supporting our Ministries
 - We will check in with them by our next meeting
 - We will work out a guide for new email reach outs
 - If Circle of Women, CCW, and Girl Scouts are under our commission, should Devoted and the American Heritage Girls be as well?
 - Invite Rita Spiess to the January meeting to update us on the Grandparents Ministry
- Discussion Question
 - How do you find thanksgiving in the Sabbath Day?
 - We had a nice discussion on this topic.
- Things to Review in October
 - Need to assign new chair and PLC representative
 - Need to create new mission statement for PMM
 - Need to create goals for commission

Next Meeting

- December 9, 2025

Closing Thoughts

Closing Prayer