

St. Joseph Catholic Church Parish Advisory Council (PAC)
Thursday October 19, 2017

In attendance: Fr. Tom, Mark Overberg (Chairperson), Cindi Conroy, Greg Bengzon, Tom Reilly, Cheryl Wilson, Marylou Bergeron, Terry McNulty, Tisha Hilliard (Secretary).

Absent: Frank Bowen (Vice Chairperson), Jim Nash

New discussion areas

Parish Offertory Program

PAC members will encourage parishioners during a talk from the ambo to increase their offering and switch to Faith Direct or Offertory envelopes during the weekend of Nov 5th. Faith Direct will also send mailings to parishioners. Bulletin columns will also explain how some of the increased contributions will be used.

PAC's 2016/17 objectives and accomplishments

Objectives: Educate the parish about the PAC; be present and visible; improve communications and transparency

Accomplishments (in brief):

- Increased PAC communications through the PAC webpage, PAC EXSUM in the bulletin, PAC trifold, PAC table at the BBQ, PAC members meeting with ministries at their meetings.
- PAC made a Faith Direct/Offertory envelop appeal during Mass
- PAC made a Bishop's Lenten Appeal during Mass (Results: 121% of goal; \$430K pledged)
- Ministry Leader Fellowship Day (Main result: Improve Young Adult Ministry and Youth Ministry; develop ministry partnerships)
- As part of the V Encuentro national discussion about the needs of the Spanish Apostolate, the PAC recommended the parish to build one community, not two; consider monthly bilingual and Holy Week Masses; add a Spanish member to the PAC; educate Anglos about Spanish traditions and patron saints)

PAC's 2017/2018 objectives

- Continue to educate the parish about the PAC; be present, visible, and transparent; develop a long-term plan with the pastor; regularize PAC turnover/conduct first transition to new members under PAC charter

PAC membership

Jim Nash is stepping down; Father Tom will select a member of the Finance Committee replace him. Father Tom will approach a member of the Spanish Outreach to join the PAC as soon as practical. For the normal annual turnover, there will be an announcement for nominees at Mass in March. New term nominations will be accepted starting in May for the September meeting.

New Deacon: Brother Vince will serve as a Deacon for the weekend Masses and possibly the summer.

Updates on previous agenda items

Ministry Leader Workshop focus items

Fr. James has taken over the Youth Ministry. He has been invited to November's PAC meeting to discuss the Youth Ministry. Fr. Tom and Fr. James will meet with potential members of the new Young Adult Ministry to discuss what they will want to do.

Communion under two species

Ten Eucharistic Ministers have moved, but 10 people volunteered during the Ministry Weekend. We need two cup ministers for every one bread minister to provide Communion under both species. We still need more volunteers to support the first test at the 5:00 Sunday Mass. Please see a priest if you're interested.

Fall Ministry Fair

The Ministry Fair was held Sept 23-24. There were mixed results for recruiting new members among the ministries.