

Saint James Parish Pastoral Council Minutes

Meeting Date: August 11, 2020

RTR, 6:30pm-8:30pm

Purpose:

- Introduce Father Michael to the full team which includes the Parish Pastoral Council and the Strategic Planning Advisors to the Parish Council.
- Provide a high-level overview of the strategic planning process to date.
- Discuss DRAFT goals and objectives for each of the seven pillars based on parishioner input.
- Begin to refine the goals and objectives and develop 2-3 specific action steps for each objective.
- Have each Parish Pastoral Council chair overview his/her specific committees.

To Recall:

Parishioners responded to seven areas of focus, *pillars*, that both short- and long-term will drive planning/direction for the next 3—5 years. The pillars are:

1. Worship
2. Faith Formation
3. Operational Vitality
4. Stewardship
5. Communication
6. Fellowship
7. Evangelization

Details:

Introductions: Father Michael opened the meeting with a prayer to include special prayer requests from the council. Father Michael received introductions and snapshot bio briefs from each member. Father Michael offered information about himself.

Strategic Planning Process: Tink Guthrie, Vice Chancellor of the Archdiocese of Louisville, and lead facilitator, presented an overview and timeline of the strategic planning process. As Father Michael learned, the parish-wide survey was a roadmap used to identify strengths, areas to shore up, and ministries to add going forward. Some results fell under “the vision board” and others fell under “operational”.



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Pillar Goals and Objectives.

Pillar teams discussed how they determined the goals and objectives identified from survey results. Teams began refining and completing those goals and objective for the SEP meeting. Additionally, they will develop 2-3 action steps for each objective. Again, for presentation at the next Parish Pastoral meeting.

Parish Pastoral Council Chairs:

Each Council Chair provided details on the committees they oversee. The chairs highlighted areas that are impacted by Covid virus such as the parish picnic.

Father Kirby closed the meeting with a prayer.

Next meeting: September 1, 2020. RTR.



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