

December Pastoral Council Minutes

Wednesday, December 4, 2013

Present: Fr. Bill, Angie Tucker, Bev Barnes, Laura Brausch, Paul Justice, John Dickhaus and Sarah Holland **Absent:** Donna Cox

Faith Formation: Sarah Holland

Minutes: The November minutes were received and approved Angie will send to Sylvia for publication on Parish website.

Secretary: Fr. Bill looking for replacement to take minutes during our Pastoral Council meetings.

January Pastoral Meeting: Approved to be moved from Wednesday, January 1st to Wednesday, January 8th.

“New Evangelization” – Members of Archdiocese to visit St. Bernadette to discuss the “New Evangelization” with Parish Leaders.

Stewardship: Discussing Funding of our programs with Financial Committee.

Eagle Scout Project: Scout offers to build a ramp behind Stievenard for entry to building via kitchen area.

St. Bernadette 70th Anniversary: June of 2014! Parish Directory to focus on this.

School Issues: St. Bernadette continues focusing on safety of children and staff and working towards improving the campus.

Follow up to November Reflection/Parish Voice: Fr. Bill asked council members this question: “What kind of parish do we want St. Bernadette to be?” Council then asked families of the parish the same question. Here are some responses: One response was if two parishes will share a priest down the road, shouldn't we invite parishioners of the other parish to be involved in our programs? Another response was, how do we get parish and school children to have a common ground? It seems there is a great divide between PRP and school age children. Need to make them all feel they belong and are not lost in our parish.

Pastor's Corner: Fr. Bill reminded council that he plans to retire July 2017. His concern was as we approach that date, how will we make it a smooth transition and prepare for our new pastor? He wants to have the right plan, be successful and positive.

Next Parish Council meeting moved to January 8th as the first Wednesday of the month is January 1st.

January Faith Formation: (tbd)