St. Cletus Parish Council Meeting Minutes  
August 16, 2022


Absent: none

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Gathering / Minutes / Formation:
- Opening prayer by Gwen Williams.
- Minutes from the July meeting were reviewed. The council requested that the concluding item about upcoming Guest Ministry be deleted. Jan Joeckel moved that the minutes be approved as amended; Jim Streit seconded. M/C.

Old Business:
- St. Cletus Pastoral Strategic Planning (PSP) Progress:
  - PSP rollout feedback: members shared their experiences sharing PSP information after Aug 6/7 Masses. The one-sheet summary was also inserted in the bulletins, with a QR code that takes one to the full PSP plan.
  - Pillar updates:
    - Admin: shared a high-level summary of the financial status of the parish.
    - Worship: is in process; have identified someone responsible for each item.
    - Service: is having difficulty getting people to the meetings; will try virtual, due to success of other pillars.
    - Formation: has very active members; are making good progress on goals; pillar meeting 8/18 to finalize plans.
  - Vestibule bulletin board display for PSP: Lori Geisman discussed possible vinyl banners to hang on windows to show our PSP goals/projects. After discussion, she will work with Chrissy Poulter to consider the possibly of installing a Smart TV in the vestibule instead, to allow flexibility re: parish activities or announcements.
- Parish Council email address: This can be easily done, so Fr. Benz will request a Parish Council email address that automatically forwards to Zeonia Christy (council chairperson).
- Policy regarding ministry publications:
  - The council approved the following policy for St. Cletus ministries:
    - “It is expected that any group or individual intending to publicly disseminate information which could be understood as representing a policy position of St. Cletus Parish receive permission from the pastor before doing so.”
  - This policy should be included in every bulletin and on our website.

New Business: There was no new business.

Guest Ministry: Peace & Justice - Bill Weisrock & Jim LaVictoire
- After considerable discussion, Angie DeGooyer and Rick Bates agreed to meet with Jim LaVictoire to draft a tentative parish statement for LGBTQ youth (acceptable to the P&J ministry and the Parish Council), to be brought back to Parish Council for review.
- Bill Weisrock presented a proposal for a possible series of education meetings on LGBTQ.
- Jan Joeckel will connect Jim LaVictoire with the Archdiocese “Courage” ministry.

Pastor’s Time:
- Fr Benz updated the PC members on upcoming activities of the parish:
  - “All Things New” update (Listening Sessions in October)
  - “Walking With Purpose” Bible Study update (Aug - Oct)
  - “Living Joy” book study (begin: Lent ’23)
Conclusion:

- **Homework:** Chris Stefanick’s *Living Joy*: Rule 6: Make Friends
- Next meeting: 3rd Tuesday: **Sept 20, 2022** @ Duchesne Room; Snacks @ 6:45; Meeting @ 7pm.
  - Guest Ministry: Adult Faith Formation
  - Opening/Closing Prayers will be by: Jim Streit
- Closing prayer by: Gwen Williams

Adjourned by 9:00 pm.