

# St. Andrew by the Sea

## Pastoral Council Minutes

Jan. 11, 2016

Pastoral Council of St. Andrew-by-the-Sea.

The following were present: secretary Claudia Detore, SABS rep Jerry Whitworth, pastor Fr. Michael Howell, K.C. rep Bill Cary, at-large rep Ray Salinas Jr., ARS rep Patty Schoenicke, at-large rep Laurie Hoffman, Chairperson Steve Galvan, at-large and Deacon Marc Washburne.

The meeting opened with a prayer led by Fr. Michael.

### **Parishioner's Comments**

Sandra Hickl wants the signage in SABS parking lot adhered to, ie- no overnight parking.

After much discussion, we agreed to table issue until next year.

Bill Cary made a motion to approve the minutes of the Sept. 14 meeting, seconded by Ray Salinas. Motion unanimously approved. The Sept. 14 approved minutes will be posted on our website. It was agreed that in the future, the minutes will be posted as **pending approval** after corrections have been made so that they are available sooner.

### **Reports**

#### **Old Business:**

- Jerry with the help of Ray Salinas installed several signs "No Parking ...." signs in our lot. He also worked with Mary McCoy to distribute a flyer asking residents of condo to not park in the church parking lot. Additionally he put flyers on the offending vehicles. It was agreed at the meeting that the situation has improved; the R.V. is gone as well as several boats. Options of towing vehicles, charging rent for parking, cordoning off area were discussed and dismissed. Ray Salinas made a motion stating we recognize the problem and will continue to distribute flyers on vehicles and to residents of condo periodically. We will revisit this issue at the end of our 'Year of Mercy'. Seconded by Bill Cary. Motion was unanimously approved.
- Ramp/ADA – Laurie Hoffman reported on two services that would come and evaluate the church for compliance/areas of improvement. Fr. Mike and Jerry shared that our insurance provides us with this information yearly. For example, the new handrails at the corners on the steps up to the altar in the outdoor church resulted from last year's inspection. Fr. Mike suggested moving/adding handicap signs near

the ADA ramps. Patty S. suggested that we could notify parish through the bulletin of such changes. Ray Salinas made a motion to add a few more handicap parking signs near the ramps with Jerry's help. Bill Cary seconded and motion passed

- Pot Luck dinner – members discussed better publicity and possibly changing the date for our next Pot Luck dinner. This will be discussed at our spring meeting. Ray S. thanked his brother Knights for their help.
- Ray Salinas made a motion to change the message on the T.V. monitors to alternate (15-20 secs) *"Welcome to St. Andrew By The Sea and Thank You for Silencing Your Cell Phone."* Bill Cary seconded and motion passed unanimously.
- Patty Schoenicke made a motion to sew a sign/banner to be put up in the FLC over the main entry doors used at mass, i.e. "All are welcome at St. Andrews by the Sea". Ray Salinas seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- Knights are doing a great job. They plan to get vests to wear while welcoming parishioners and visitors.

### **New Business:**

- Steve and Mary Ellen Galvan attended the Diocese Of Corpus Christi Annual Ministry Conference 2016. They attended a speech by Dr. Ben Nguyen. Fr. Mike explained that a video of Dr. Nguyen is being produced for parishes. Fr. Mike gave the O.K. for Steve to invite Dr. Nguyen to our parish. Steve brought a book from the fair on the history of the diocese as well as some pamphlets.
- Laurie H. brought suggestions from parishioners for a pastoral picture address book. The last one was done in 2008. Laurie made a motion to create the new book for our parish. Ray Salinas seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Laurie will take on the effort, overseeing scheduling, etc.

### **Correspondence**

Steve Galvan introduced Email from Caren Childers regarding membership in our various ministries. There was much discussion of ways to get parishioners involved. It was agreed that *Donut Sunday* would be a good day to feature ONE ministry at a time. It is recommended that several representatives (of varying ages if possible) of that ministry be present with any informational handouts/flyers (if available). A table will be set-up for any type of desired display. Ministry members can then mingle and recruit as they eat a donut! These are guidelines and each ministry can tailor to their specific needs. Ray Salinas made a motion to ask each ministry if they would be interested in participating in a membership drive on Donut Sunday. Patty S. seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Once we know which ministries are interested, their names will be put in a hat and Fr. Mike will pick

to determine the schedule. It was decided that Claudia will contact the ministries with an email asking if they want to participate.

Steve Galvan made a motion to ask the Knights if we could have recruitment of ministries similar to Donut Sunday during the Fish Fry. Ray Salinas seconded, Motion passed unanimously.

**Announcements:**

n/a

**Remarks from Father Howell:**

n/a

**Adjournment:**

Ray Salinas made a motion that the next meeting be scheduled for April 11, 2016 at 6:30pm (same place). Bill Cary seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**Closing Prayer:**

Deacon Marc gave the closing prayer.

Claudia Detore, Secretary to the Pastoral Council of St. Andrew by the Sea Parish