

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF MEETING 4-18-2024**

Meeting was convened at 6:30 p.m. in the rectory.

**Present** – Father Joe, Kathryn Moery, John Riordan (via Zoom), Matthew Lee-Own, Katie Pomroy, Ray Hufnagel, Jorge Otero

**Opening Prayer** – Katie delivered a series of opening prayer, reciting portions of the *Didache*.

**Minutes** – Minutes of the 3-21-2024 PPC meeting were reviewed and approved without correction.

**Announcements**

- **Fr. Joe provided feedback on the Couples Event held (4/13/24)**
  - About 9-10 couples attended the session prior to Mass (this was for couples married within the last 5 years); 8 additional couples Mass and reception.
  - Fr. Fontana led the discussion and discussed topics important for couples, participants encouraged to share stories
  - Regarding responses received on this event:
    - About 500 people were invited to attend
    - 20-30 couples indicated that they were busy on the 4/13 date but would be interested in an event like this next year.

**Book Discussion [15 mins]** – Discussion was opened into Chapters 18, 19 & Conclusion of *Divine Renovation: Beyond the Parish*.

- John began the discussion noting that he felt the chapters here were not as applicable to Assumption as some of the prior ones we have read.
- Fr. Joe mentioned how funds from the Annual Catholic Appeal are collected. Our Parish usually gets money back from the Annual Catholic Appeal.
- PPC will bring comments and insights gleaned from the book overall to the May meeting.

**Old Business [40 minutes]**

- **Hallow App – Katie Pomroy**
  - Katie provided an update on the status of the Hallow App

- Hallow is going to do a big push on integrating parishes into the app
  - Discussion to this deferred to the 2024-2025 PPC year.
- **Communication & Media Subcommittee**
  - Fr. Joe & Matthew will sit down and plan out what is needed to be added
  - Set up a meeting with Ron Tevonian to discuss potential upgrades to the website
  - PPC wants to encourage ministries to send photos of their activities to the Parish email for inclusion on the website
- **PPC Nomination Process**
  - Discussion was opened into this year's PPC Nomination process. We are extending the nomination process by about a week this year. Nominations will close May 6<sup>th</sup> with the first information session being May 8<sup>th</sup>, second session May 14<sup>th</sup>.
- **Hospitality Sunday (PPC Hosting) May 5, 2024**
  - Members of PPC discussed what items they will be bringing to the Hospitality Sunday event.
- **Ministry Thank You Event:**
  - Inviting all people affiliated with a ministry
  - Event proposed to be held in August 2024
  - Suggest that this be an outdoor event in the garden, potentially a potluck
- **PPC Suggestion Box Feedback was Reviewed: the following comments were discussed**
  - Large crucifix is inspirational, suggestion that it be present in Church all year round (Eva)
  - Celebration of Dec 12<sup>th</sup> – Virgin of Guadalupe
  - Comment that a parishioner enjoyed the recitation of the Hail Holy Queen after Mass

### **New Business [5 minutes]**

- **Welcome Event in October 2024**
- **Memorial for Katie Kennicott**

**Closing Prayer** – Father Joe delivered the closing prayer.