

**St. Peter Church**  
**Joint Meeting**  
**Pastoral Council and Finance Council**  
**September 8, 2015**  
**Minutes of the Meeting**

Present:

Rev. Jerome Foley, Pastor  
Sr. Hilda Sandoval, M.F.P.

Pastoral Council:

Deidre Watson, President  
Steven Arms  
Kathleen Bissell  
Cristina Caro  
Regina Cuevas  
Maureen Geneste

Finance Council:

Art Angst  
Jackie Clinton  
Barbara Lubben  
Roberta Sanchez

**Opening Prayer**

Fr. Foley led the Council attendees in an opening prayer.

**Young Adult and Campus Ministry**

Angela Pollock, Archdiocese of San Francisco, Director of Young Adult and Campus Ministry presented (via telephone) on the work she has done with other parishes to encourage the development of young adult ministry and provided a number of ideas and 'next steps' for the Parish Council to consider. Her insights were very well received and provided important guidance. The first phase, a 'listening session' was encouraged, followed by the identification of team leaders who will work to 'get the word out' to the target audience. Depending on the results of the 'listening' process, the target may be singles and/or young families between the ages of 20 and 40.

**Evergive Presentation**

Mary Minno, a representative of Evergive.com, joined the meeting to describe to the attendees the successful implementation of Evergive as a community based web application. As an interactive church digital 'presence', Mary encouraged St. Peter Church to consider the benefits of promoting this useful app for communication, fundraising and collection services. It can also be a location for inspirational material for Catholics and a resource for social networking with the Archdiocese and/or St. Peter

Church. The group discussed the elements of the app's uses, how to access it, the possibility of linking the St. Peter Church website and other technical issues.

### **Senior Transportation to 9am Mass**

Maureen advised Council members that Bob Bachecki is coordinating rides for a number of seniors from two locations in Pacifica. Art indicated that two volunteers are currently helping out and that it would be useful to place a notice in the bulletin that Bob is seeking additional volunteers.

### **Coming Home Catholic**

Maureen shared information regarding a program she heard about which is designed to encourage people to return to active membership in the Church. Fr. Foley indicated that several other parishes in the archdiocese have similar programs and it might be worthwhile to consider implementing this, through the formation of faith sharing groups, during Advent. Barbara Ludden also suggested that placing an ad in the Pacifica Tribune and posting a notice on the Parish marquee would help attract participants.

### **Day of Remembrance**

The Council confirmed that the Day of Remembrance Mass will be held November 2. Deidre volunteered to work on a booklet and other details similar to the Mass held in 2014. Regina offered her calligraphy skills to add the recently deceased names to the Parish book. Deidre and Sr. Hilda will develop a committee to work on this and will collaborate on the booklet.

### **Helping Hands Saturday**

Deidre presented a status on the preparations for engaging volunteers and coordinating a cleaning day for Saturday, September 19, from 9am to Noon. Lunch will be provided for volunteers and sign-up sheets are in the narthex. So far, between 20 and 30 volunteers have signed up to help.

### **Rediscover Catholicism, by Michael Kelly**

The Council briefly discussed the book recommended by Steven Arms at the June Parish Council meeting. Fr. Foley encouraged everyone to read it and suggested that members identify those sections or insights from the book that may require further discussion.

### **Blessing of the Animals**

Deidre reported that the Blessing of the Animals is scheduled for October 4 from 11:30 to 1:30pm and Suzanne Schneider is developing a flyer to announce the event.

### **Forgive Our Debt**

Fr. Foley reported that, as of this date, fundraising to relieve St. Peter Church's mortgage debt is going very well and we are close to meeting our goal. He expressed his sincere thanks to all who have participated and is very grateful for the tremendous response from the community.

**Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Council will be held on October 13, 2015.

**Closing Prayer**

Fr. Foley led attendees in a closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted: Kathleen Bissell, September 13, 2015