

Summary of Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes - December 2, 2025
Submitted by Joanne Broda, Pastoral Council Secretary

Present: Father Max Behna, Kelly Metzger, Joanne Broda, Terry Wagner, Rhea Peters, Shannon Barbarotta, Dave Snyder, Loredana Barbarotta, Mary Kienstra, Dave Norman

Opening Prayer: Fr. Max began the meeting at 7p.m. with prayer and a reading from Isaiah.

President's Report:

- November minutes were approved (Motion: Joanne; Second: Dave).
- Parish events for December were discussed.
- Updating PC Constitution: Kelly reported that the subgroup met again and is working to make the constitution clear, concise and in line with the mission. Once a document is available, it will be shared with all council members.

Pastor Report:

- **Art & Environment Coordinator:** This position is still vacant. Dan Jungclas has been volunteering to lead this ministry but will cease in early January. Father presented information on the position duties and qualifications and asked council members for recommendations.
- **Bishop Hick's MAKE Letter & SMMP's integration plan -**
At the last meeting, PC decided to continue to use our mission statement language instead of introducing MAKE language as they very much mirror each other. This will be presented in January as a side by side mission/MAKE statement.

Advise/Inform:

- **Overview of past council/ministry partnership**
Kelly shared that each PC member was partnered with several ministries for support.
- **Current Ministry Support Needs**
Kelly highlighted ministries still in need of PC partners. Service/Worship Chairs, Mary Kienstra/Terry Wagner, have monthly meetings with their ministries and will check with each leader to discern whether or not PC partners are beneficial to their ministries.
 - In the future, a potential ministry coordinator would facilitate communication between ministry leaders, the PC and Father Max.

Assist: Shannon gave an update on preparations for the dinner on January 17th and assigned various tasks to volunteers. Teens will be helping with coat check. Caterer to be chosen soon.

- **Appreciation Dinner -**
 - Seating assigned randomly to allow for meeting new people from other ministries.
 - Collecting responses: This year, we can accommodate 225 people with 9 at a table and will have a waitlist after the sign-up googledoc is closed.

Assess:

- There will be an article in the bulletin prior to a ministry being spotlighted on Hospitality Sunday.
- There was a brief discussion about 8 a.m. mass attendance.
- Five parishioners have offered to give Fr. Eddy rides each week.

Closing Prayer at 8:32 by Terry Wagner reading Henri Nouwen