

Co-Cathedral of St. Thomas More
SUMMARY of the Pastoral Council Meeting
March 13, 2019

Present: Father John Cayer, Michael Williams, Jeanne O’Kon, Mary Ballard, Michele Taylor, Chaney Coggins, Sue Steverson, Dasha Nixon, Michelle Harkness, Valeria Robinson, Joy Smith, Lauren Kubelka.

Absent: Mary Goble, Brother Rahl Bunsu, Christa Calamas, Wayne Evans, Silvia Alderman, Donald Thomas.

CSU Update: Lauren Kubelka reported that the new CSU Pastoral Council representative for the coming year will be Tyler Currier. CSU members attended a presentation called “Fight the New Drug” on March 12 on how pornography affects society. This week’s Spirit Night topic is the Catholic response to Same-Sex Attraction. During spring break, some CSU students will travel to Jamaica on a service trip. A women’s group will travel to Detroit, and a men’s group will travel to North Carolina. Michael and Katie Williams lead the CSU Senior Seminar, helping the CSU students who are graduating to find community and select a church. Lauren let the Council members know that Brother Clinton is leaving and will oversee the CSU chapters throughout the state. Brother Parker Jordan is taking over the leadership role at STM.

Parish and Family Life: Chaney Coggins reported that the “Wisdom” Bible Study series is ongoing and about 28 people are attending. The series on the Book of John will be offered on May 7, 14, and 21.

Education and Faith Formation: *Trinity Catholic School:* Joy Smith stated that the finalists for the Father Murray Scholarship were just announced. The award ceremony will be held on April 5th at 1:30, and the guest speaker will be Dr. Mary Coburn. There were three student winners at the District History Fair. The Passion Play will be held in April. The Trinity musical production will be held May 10-11.

St. John Paul II CHS: The SJP II boys basketball team won the state championship, beating Orlando Christian Academy. They are the only team in Tallahassee that won a state championship this year. The school play this year is *Thoroughly Modern Millie* on April 12-14. The sports banquet will be held on April 28, and graduation will be held at STM in May.

Administration: Dasha reported that the kitchen renovation is ongoing, and there will be a hot bar and a serving counter, with new kitchen equipment. New lights have been installed in the church, which are brighter than the previous lighting. The church overhang roofs are complete. There’s a new outdoor sign with the new parish logo.

Lenten Light Meals: The Pastoral Council is preparing the Lenten Light Meal for this Friday, March 15. There were about 60 people in attendance at the last Light Meal. Parishioners can make a donation for the meal, which will be donated to the Father Murray Scholarship Fund.

Parish Directory Update: Sue reported that the parish directory has been proofread and reviewed, and will go to print soon. The directory is taking longer than expected, but it takes time to correct any errors.

Rector’s Comments: Fr. John stated that the Red Mass is on March 27 at 6:00 p.m. It is a very empowering and beautiful Mass with nine Bishops and the clergy. It is usually very well-attended by lawmakers, the governor, and legislators. There is a reception afterwards.

Next meeting dates: The next meetings will be held on April 10 and May 1st.