

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes  
Monday, July 10, 2017  
Jesuit Residence

**Attendees:** Father Bob VerEecke, S.J., Father Dan Carrou, S.J., Pastoral Council Members: Jack Schmitt (Chair), Adel O'Regan (Vice Chair), Stephen Alfieri, Kathleen Cagnina, John Karle, Bob Lepisko, Charles Mileski, David Pais, Catherine O'Hagan Wolfe

**1. Opening Prayer:** Adel O'Regan

**2. Welcome Fr. Dan Carrou, S.J.:** Jack Schmitt

**3. Pastor's Report:** Father Bob

- Recapping the year, weekend liturgies are well attended and communal. Efforts continue to expand the circle of liturgical participants at the 5:00 weekend masses.
- Family Faith Program is vibrant. A thought has been expressed about including the broader community in some Sunday sessions.
- The parish book reads and bible study programs were enthusiastically received and will continue.
- The pastor's emailed columns and Sunday bulletin messages, notably those that included the Examen, have been successful.
- Plans to further build on the February 2017 ministries retreat include:
  - Increasing the number of parishioners who participate in Xavier Mission programs, especially the Sunday Welcome Table.
  - A hospitality workshop for the ministries and a parish-wide program based upon the Just Faith template
  - Further expanding Ignatian spirituality in parish life.
  - Continuing the parish's commitment to immigration and refugee issues.

**4. Celebration of Ministries and Coffee Hour Schedule**

- A celebration of Xavier's ministries will take place at the Saturday, October 28, 2017 5:00 p.m. Mass, with a reception to follow.
- The next coffee hour will be hosted on Sunday, September 17, 2017 following the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Catherine Wolfe will coordinate.

**5. Report on the Promotion of Ministries:** Adel O'Regan

- In August, 2017, Adel will send an email to ministry leaders offering the opportunity to give a reflection at the weekend Masses and have a table at the back of church. The employment support group has asked to have a table during the Labor Day Weekend. They will also publish a description of their work in the bulletin that weekend.
- Catholic Lesbians will offer a reflection on September 20-21; It Was the Women Who Stayed (Women's Ministry) on October 21-22; and, Bible Study on November 18-19.

**6. Discussion of the Just Faith Program:** Jack Schmitt

- A 25-week program is proposed to begin in January 2018.
- Jack will prepare materials that describe the program.
- Three coordinators will be enlisted to facilitate the program.

**7. Review of the Pastoral Council Member Selection Process**

- Three new members were discerned for pastoral council membership in June and will join the council in September.

**8. Selection of the Pastoral Council Chair**

- Jack Schmitt will chair the council for the upcoming year.

**9. Formation of the Pastoral Council Retreat Committee**

- Topics this year will include Chris Lowney's book on church leadership.
- The committee will include Fr. Bob, Kathleen Cagnina, Jack Schmitt and Catherine Wolfe.

**10. Farewell to Retiring Pastoral Council Members**

- The Pastoral Council members thanked Bob Lepisko, Adel O'Regan and David Pais for the significant contributions they generously made during the six years of their tenure on the council.

**11. Closing Prayer:** Adel O'Regan

**Upcoming 2017 Dates:** Exco Call: TBD, **PC Meeting:** September 12<sup>th</sup>, Leader of Prayer, John Karle. **PC Retreat:** September 29<sup>th</sup> – October 1st