

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, November 13, 2018
16th Street Jesuit Residence

Attendees: Father Dan Corrou, Kathleen Cagnina, Karen DeMasi, Patrick Egan, John Karle, Charles Mileski, Ron Oberdick, Catherine O'Hagan Wolfe, Jack Schmitt,

Guest: Daniel Glenn of New York Archdiocese

Absent: Stephen Alfieri

1. Opening Prayer: Ron Oberdick
2. Daniel Glenn discussed the formation of Youth Ministry at St. Francis Xavier. Has been in process for about 9 months, kicking off in Jan. 2019, with 10 adults now committed to be involved in leadership positions, and currently 15 youth (grades 7-12), with plan to grow that number.
Pastoral Council offered input on how SFX would benefit from youth ministry. Key goal is to ensure voice of youth ministry is heard within parish via periodic meeting with members of youth ministry, or plan joint activities with other ministries and/or Pastoral Council
3. Discussed PC meeting with Father Ed Quinnan on October 30th, all appreciated his taking time to meet, appreciated his openness to PC asking Jesuit Provincial John Cecero to disclose names of Jesuits in Northeast Province against whom credible claims of sexual abuse have been made (as was recently done by the USA West Jesuit Province). A letter to that effect has been drafted, to be shared with the parish after sending to Cecero.
4. Members of Pastoral Council, excluding Catherine O'Hagan Wolfe, discussed and approved a letter to Attorney General Barbara Underwood in support of investigation of sexual abuse of children in the 8 NY dioceses, and of efforts to urge NY State legislature to pass Child Victims Act.
5. Nov 14th Liturgy of Healing final plans confirmed
6. Pastor's Report – Father Dan
 - Father Dan noted that he is pleased to work with Daniel Glenn on formation of youth ministry at SFX, and plans to arrange meeting between Luz Diaz and youth ministry director at St. Ignatius Loyola.
 - Spanish language masses have been going very well, attendance has been 20-30 but a distinct population
 - Hospitality ministers have been counting attendance levels at masses, which is helpful when correlating with collection amounts. Database cleanup is underway

- Dec. 1-2 parishioner registration drive planned, additional data on attendance and registration to be gathered in advance of Feb 2019 ministries retreat
- Discussion of parish finances, whether a capital campaign is feasible in light of recent events, need to increase weekly donations
- Fr. Dan will have 2 interns working with him. One will collaborate on DACA efforts in coordination with St. Aedan's parish in Jersey City. The other will shoot video of events at SFX to be posted on social media, and get brief interviews with parishioners for a "my Xavier story is" series, in collaboration with Communications committee

7. Update on Celebration of Service planning—Karen DiMasi and John Karle. All elements, food, drinks, music, setup and breakdown are covered. RSVPs are at 52 but more are expected. Xavier Mission volunteer has offered to assist.

8. Update on Spiritual Direction program—Catherine O'Hagan Wolfe reported that the program has received a grant from the Society of Jesus to do a 2nd cohort beginning in late January 2019, through June 2020. The program will expand to a larger class and include Spanish speakers. Will require fundraising efforts, with a goal of \$30k for this cohort.

9. Plans discussed for Feb 2nd Ministries Retreat. Save the date will go out soon, will include the 5 questions that will form the theme of the retreat (Who we are, Who are we called to serve, etc.). Listening sessions planned after each mass during weekend of Jan. 26-27 to ask for parishioner input on these 5 questions, designed to help best inform Jesuit Provincial of our parish's needs and gifts in selecting a new pastor

10. Closing Prayer – Ron Oberdick