

ST. ANDREW CATHOLIC CHURCH

Notes from Pastoral Council Meeting - October 14, 2021

Members attending: Casey, Trish, Mark, David, Joseph, Father Dave, Eva, Tom, Ray and Joy

Welcome and Opening Prayer – Joy gave the opening prayer

New Pastoral Council Members – Casey welcomed Tom, a new PC member attending for the first time. He also shared a message sent by Adam's caregiver about Adam's interest in being on the PC

Gary Ivory Appreciation – Mark talked about all the volunteer work done by Gary around the parish and suggested we recognize his contributions.

Catholic Worker Credit Union/Mutual Economy project – David talked about a Notre Dame credit union established by the Catholic Worker House, and suggested we have someone come to PC to give a presentation about this new credit union option. In addition to the credit union, they also offer activities like presentations and a bike repair day to help create community. David also talked about Food Pantry's no eviction efforts to help people from parish, neighborhood and Nativity school.

Refugee programs - Joy talked about various options for St. Andrew to get involved in supporting Afgan refugees. She will give an announcement on Sunday asking for volunteers to work on the St. Andrew refugee efforts. (See attachment)

Pastor's Corner - Father Dave

- First Communion: 16 children from 9:30 Mass and 35 from 12:30 Mass in preparation
- Confirmation: 30 young people in preparation
- Suggested that PC members attend EMO's Collins Summit, "Christian Nationalism", Nov. 10
- Church is preparing for Advent and Christmas; would like to get a Nativity scene set up outside
- Nov. 2 – Day of Dead evening Mass
- Keep thinking about parish retreat (will discuss and set date at next meeting)
- Still working on the lease with St. Andrew Nativity school
- Carolyn Ulman wants to help organize a celebration for Mary Nemmers' retirement – send her ideas
- Welcoming new parishioners – we have many new people. Reach out at coffee to welcome. Maybe put a sticker on name tag to make them easy to identify. Work to have visitors stand up at end of Mass (reinstate announcements).

Next meeting - **November 18 @ 7:00 PM**

Closing Prayer – Father Dave