

**St. Nicholas Parish Pastoral Council**  
**August 27, 2019**

**This was an abbreviated meeting, held for one hour after the Joint PPC gathering of St. Athanasius, St. Mary's and St. Nicholas Parishes.**

**Present:** Father Joseph Tito, Nora Bondi, Sheila Hebein, Cynthia Judge, Suzanne Lefevre, Arturo Medina, Jose Juan Moreno, Michael O'Donovan, Betsy Quinn, Yvonne Smith, Juan Jose Velasco

**Approval of July 30th Minutes:** Yvonne made a motion to accept the minutes, Nora seconded and they were accepted unanimously.

**Announcements:** Cynthia suggested that in the coming months, the Council member who was doing Announcements should re-introduce him/herself, so that parishioners continue to connect the names and faces of those on the PPC. It was suggested that we continue to think of others, particularly lectors, who could also do Announcements, if needed.

**Parish Update – Father Tito**

- **New Staff** - Dr. Cinnamon and Jose Chavez Velandia are getting acclimated to their new roles and are doing well. The new office space for Jose Chavez is very helpful, as he's in the space very close to Alex and the front office. Once again, we're trying to phase out the name "SCORE" and to know it as one Religious Education program held on two days.
- **Website** -The new website is close to being finished. The design phase is finished, now it's time to do a quality check. The PPC will have a chance to look at it (either at home or in the office) before it goes live. The look is clean and clear. All content for St. Nicholas (website, Facebook page, blog, etc.) should be coordinated.
- **Ice Cream Social** – Father Tito and Father Kevin will host an ice cream social for the parishioner families from St. Nick's and St. Mary's who attend Pope John XXIII.

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- **Welcoming at St. Nick's** –The next Welcome Gathering will be on Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup> after the 9:00 a.m. Masses. Suzanne and Arturo will work together on it. Once again, this will be for people who've been parishioners for 3 years or less, and those who may be interested in joining our parish. A larger effort to invite Latinos will be made.

- **PPC Retreat** will be held on November 13<sup>th</sup>, for a half day, including lunch. Cynthia will inquire about space at the former St. Scholastica site. There will be a two-fold goal: to spend time in prayer and get to know each other more deeply; and to discuss how we function as a Council and what our ministry should be. We need to think about facilitators, with the two different goals, we may need two facilitators.
- **Holiday Festival will** be renamed the St. Nicholas Festival. Sarah Cross and Bob Shuford are in charge of the crafters. Lois Shuford will work on communications. Greenery may now be sold from the same vendor as the one who provides our Christmas trees. The raffle needs to be spearheaded by someone new, perhaps Arturo. A discussion ensued about the Friday night Spaghetti Dinner/St. Nicholas service in the Church/tree lighting. New ideas are welcome. We are looking at ways to make the whole weekend manageable and successful.

**Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m..**