***Attendees:***

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| Jim Wilson | **X** | Herman Bush | **X** | Kathy Batdorf | **X** | Madison Buddenbohn |  |
| Liz Gonzalez | **X** | Nikki Gorski | **X** | Patrick Perkins | **X** | Sally Raphel | **X** |
| Isabel Sans | **X** | Cynthia Santiago | **X** | Patty Smith | **X** | Diane Traube | **X** |
| John Young | **X** | Dan Zankowitz |  | Deacon Chuck Hoppe | **X** | Deacon Jim Sullivan | **X** |
| Fr. Jack Ward | **X** | Fr. Jaime Garcia | **X** | Martine Uveges | **X** |  |  |

***The Meeting came to order at: 7:04pm***

***Opening Prayer:*** All recited the Pastoral Council Prayer

***Approval of Minutes:*** Nikki motioned to approve the April minutes; Patrick seconded; all approved.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

*Announcements:* Fr. Jack introduced Chuck Hoppe, who attended our May meeting, as our new deacon.

*Development Committee* (see report attached):Jim W reported that several meetings at the rectory have gone well. Everyone appreciated the transparency and shares in the need for additional funds for targeted expenditures to maintain the parish buildings. Suggestions included continuous communications with the parish, such as a thermometer for visibility and/or a video. Keith Arndt suggested that Patrick might have the Shadow Players put on a play about the history of the parish. Fr. Jack was pleasantly surprised about the success of the meetings. Isabel, who made the video for Holy Week, offered to help make the video for this financial effort. Patrick noted that he had started on the parish history with a play for the jubilee about the first parishioner in 1866, a Callahan, a member of Sally’s family. Sally also made a video of long time parishioners for the jubilee, which could help people to know the history of the parish.

**MINISTRY REPORTS:**

***Liturgy:*** Patrick provided a quarterly report (see report attached):

Patrick is working on goals within the Liturgy Ministry first, and then he will work with the parish in general. Much progress has been made on the four goals.

* Goal 1 – To provide faith filled and outstanding liturgies for parishioners and visitors of SFdS.
	+ The Liturgy Committee has met monthly since Jan 2019 and will continue through 2020.
	+ Retreats for Ushers, Greeters, Lectors, and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion (EMCs) have been completed. Seven EMCs have signed up for Masses and distributing Holy Communion to hospital patients. Other ministry sessions will be scheduled in the fall of 2019.
	+ A prayer before Mass for participating ministers will begin in Sept, 2019.
	+ A booklet for Lectors and EMCs has been distributed at ALPHA Ministry.
	+ The Hand Bell Choir was reinstituted for the Easter Vigil Mass. Other goals for the Music Ministry will be pursued in the fall of 2019.
	+ All ministers except the Ushers are presently scheduled for Masses. The plan is to begin scheduling the Ushers in the fall of 2019.
* Goal 2 – To enable every person attending SFdS to gain a thorough understanding of the importance of full and active participation in all liturgical services.
	+ Special liturgies are presently scheduled for 2019 and 2020, such as the Tri Parish Picnic Mass, Christmas Around SFdS, Bilingual Masses, and monthly Sunday Youth Music Ensemble Masses.
	+ Children’s Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) is being restructured to be instituted in Sept, 2019.
	+ Fr. Jaime reminded the group that this past year there have been processions, expositions and Holy Hours, and Stations of the Cross for spiritual enrichment for parishioners.
* Goal 3 – To provide an environment that will enhance the liturgical experience.
	+ Decorating schedule is completed through 2019 and will be done for 2020. Others need to be recruited from the youth, young adults, and members of the Latino community.
	+ An annual inventory and organization day is to be scheduled for June, 2019.
	+ The pool was working for Easter, but a leak developed and more work is required. Wooden planters were placed around the pool to resolve the boundary issue.
* Goal 4 – To continue Evangelization efforts through programs, thereby increasing and nourishing parishioner’s relationship with the Lord.
	+ Faith programs for 2019-2020 are being planned this summer.
	+ The ‘Books’ will continue for 2019-2020, in English, Spanish, and for children.
	+ ‘Best’ will continue for Advent and Lent, as well as other offerings through Dynamic Catholic.

Patty asked how Evangelization and Dan fit in with the efforts of the Liturgy Committee. Kathy said there was an Evangelization Committee, and Dan asked Kathy for the members. The Liturgy Committee can work with Dan. Fr. Jaime said Patrick and himself just did the Christ Life and Alpha programs. Fr. Jaime said the evangelization effort is more organized now and is slowly bringing in others. Next, efforts will be for targeted groups by roll.

Fr. Jaime is very thankful to Patrick and for the interest of the Latino group with new programs.

***Faith Formation:*** Nikki provided a quarterly report:

* Goal 1 - Integrate programs so they work better.
	+ The K through 5th grade program will be reviewed in June.
	+ The Children’s Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) will be revamped.
	+ The middle school will be reworked to get them more in touch with the community. More structured opportunities will be provided; they would start in elementary school and continue into middle school. People from the Ministry Areas will be brought in to talk with the children and share why we do these things. We do this to serve.
* Goal 2 - Communicate with parents to engage with their children.
	+ This effort is struggling. Parents just drop off their children.
	+ Catechists are needed; the Time and Talent Fair would be an opportunity. Cynthia asked who to contact if someone is interested in being a catechist: Angie Rebbert for K to 5th grade, and Diane Lewis for 6th grade – High School.
	+ Fr. Jaime commented that the parents, ages 35-45, did not have their parents push them into Religious Education, and thus, they are less inclined to encourage their own children.
	+ Diane suggested the focus should be on the K through 5th grade children and parents.
	+ Nikki shared that our Vacation Bible School (VBS) is fun. It is a great evangelization. This year it will close with a Mass, which is our central point.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

*Time and Talent Fair:* Jim W spoke with Diane, John, Sally, and Patty, and they agreed to coordinate an effort to recruit new people to help in the Ministry areas. It was suggested to combine this with the Knights Pancake Breakfast on 9/22/19. Fr. Jack suggested having this in the Narthex, though Patrick said that someone in the Narthex could encourage people to go to Kilduff Hall. First, Diane, John, Sally, and Patty need to set a date for the event, and then they will discuss how to brand this differently.

*Maintenance Committee:* John relayed that those who help weed certain flower beds outside the church buildings have noted certain areas are hard to maintain and that the mulch on certain island areas washed away. Should it be replaced with sod? Fr. Jack said Lee Eder currently overseas maintenance, and the Boy Scouts help a lot. Deacon Chuck said this is stewardship. He suggested each grounds area be marked with a placard with the name of the parishioner who is maintaining the area. Knowing other parishioners help maintain the grounds will help build community. Herman will ask Lee and Deacon Jim if placards can be installed. Herman reported that he is helping to form a Maintenance Committee; Pat Morrow and Dan have expressed interest. Deacon Jim has a lady willing to do some painting in the office. Lee likes the idea of a committee, and Deacon Jim approves.

*Counters*: Nikki shared the need for additional money counters. Currently there are 5 teams of 3 people each, and 3 of those teams include someone who has done this for 20 years. It would be nice to have others as substitutes. Patty asked when they count money; Nikki responded Sundays 10a to 1p. Any new people would need to be vetted by Deacon Jim. New names can be given to Nikki.

*Narthex:* Patrick is trying to keep the Narthex clean. He asked that if someone puts something up, they should take it down and leave the Narthex the way they found it.

*Meals on Wheels*: Kathy attended a session in Baltimore regarding Meals on Wheels and learned they do more than just provide meals. She talked with Deacon Jim about letting people know about their other services, such as shopping for groceries for the homebound. On 6/20/19 at 7p, Meals on Wheels will come and speak at Kilduff Hall for people in Harford County. If people sign up that night, they will not need to go to the session in Baltimore.

*Shadow Players:* Patrick announced that the Shadow Players will present their play on Thursday, Aug 1, at 3p, Friday, Aug 2, at 3p, Saturday, Aug 3, at 3p and 8p, and Sunday, Aug 4, there will be a dinner theater at 3p.

**Meeting Adjourned** by Jim Wilson at 8:49pm.

**CLOSING PRAYER:** Fr. Jack gave everyone his blessing and led all in praying the Our Father.

Respectfully submitted,

Martine Uveges, Secretary