

Saints Mary and Joseph Parish Pastoral Council  
Meeting Minutes  
December 14, 2017

**Council Members Present:** Fr. Tom, Fr. Bill, Fr. Al, Deacon Jay Cormier,  
Steve Barretto, Deb Carney, Kristen Klecan, Jess Miller, Lisa Ricci, Debbie Sarnie,  
Chris Raymond, Therese Vallario

**Council Members Not Present:** Tina Doherty, Dawn Pavlini

**Call to Order:** 7:21 PM

**Opening Prayer:** Fr. Al

[Father Tom's Pastor Report:](#)

**Formed.org Program:** This is a Catholic Faith on Demand Program which can be accessed and viewed online and on mobile devices by our parishioners. The council watched a sample video. The cost of this program is \$1,700 per year. Fr. Tom will send log-in information to council members for a Dec-Jan trial period.

**34 Main Street (Yellow House):** Essential work is needed on the house. Work includes chimney repair and fixing the foundation to the “barn” section of the house. Also, the parish must remove the underground oil tank. The final selling price is now very close to what the parish was expecting since price adjustments were made in the fall.

**Music Director:** Fr. Tom made a presentation of goals and qualifications to the Pastoral Council members for review. He will email the council members a copy of the job description. A full-time position may be too pricey, so this may be offered as a part time position.

**Interior Designer:** Waiting to get a second opinion for the interior paint colors for St. Joseph’s

**Christmas Mass Schedule:** The bulletin will contain the schedule for **Christmas Eve:** MQP: 4:00pm. St. Joseph: 4:00pm (church), 4:15 (school auditorium) 10:00 pm (church) in lieu of the midnight Mass.

**Christmas Day:** MQP 9:30 am. St. Joseph 11:00 am.

**School Gym Floor:** New floor in the gym came out awesome!

**Jesuit Visitor:** Fr. Nick Steeves, SJ will be arriving on December 29<sup>th</sup> and staying until just after Easter. He is a Jesuit Tertian, entering the third and final stage of Jesuit formation, which precedes final vows.

[Old Business Updates:](#)

**Promoting our Parish Ministries:** Kay B. has been sending out an average of one Welcome Packet per week to newly registered parishioners. Justine follows up with a personal phone call after three weeks.

She also follows up with families of those Baptized at our parish with a phone call after approximately three months.

**Welcoming Community Subcommittee:** Kristen stated that all is going well with Coffee/Donuts after the 11:00 am mass at St Joe's. There are three families that currently assist, and Kristen will look to engage someone to take charge of this ministry.

**Building a Community/Social Subcommittee:** The Babysitting event which was to be held on December 9<sup>th</sup> was canceled due to lack of participants. We will reevaluate for next year, perhaps looking into alternate dates/times that may be more convenient for parents.

**Embracing Hope Subcommittee:** Nothing new to report at this time.

**Rebuilt Trip:** Those attending this event on April 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018 will include: Fr. Tom, Steve and Kay Barretto, Peter and Kristen Klecan. Held at Church of the Nativity, Timonium, MD.

#### [Other Business:](#)

**Parish Website:** The Liturgy and Finance Committees are not currently represented on the parish website. Deacon Jay will ask Judi Ryan of the LC, and Steve will ask Joe Lessard of the FC if they would be willing to provide a descriptive page, including member names, for each of their respective councils for inclusion on the website.

**Next Council Meeting:** January 11, 2018 at MQP in the Emmaus Room

**Closing Prayer:** 9:00 pm Fr. Tom.