St. Mark Pastoral Council Special Meeting Minutes for 08/17/23

Introduction

Special Meeting held Thursday, August 17, 2023, led by Father Maurer.

Special Meeting was held in person.

Special Meeting was joint meeting between Pastoral and Finance Councils.

Present: Fr. Maurer, Dirk Bartram, Mary Ann Draye, Gina Olsen, Patsy Riley, Paul Sundberg,

Kim Brown, Brandon Villanti, Marcia Yanuss

Absent: Sean Malone

Opening Prayer: Prayer led by Father Maurer

Special meeting was held outside of monthly schedule to discuss Partners in the Gospel.

Discussion

Father announced proposed family grouping to joint council. Pastoral and Finance Councils discussed concerns and challenges regarding family grouping, as well as opportunities and possibilities it may offer. Councils agreed evaluating current parish identity and encouraging attendance to parish input session next month were priorities.

Additional Notes

- Steve Donaldson will be the parish's Partners in the Gospel facilitator
- Father plans to have biweekly Q&A in parish bulletin to relay information to parish about Partners in the Gospel
- September 8th: Pastoral council/finance council submit input regarding Partners in the Gospel
- September 28th: Parish input session will need scribes/facilitators to receive input
- Pastor appointment announced in April/May

Closing

The meeting was closed with night prayer led by Father Maurer.

Adjournment Time: 9:00 PM

Next joint meeting will be held September 6, 2023 at 6:30 PM

Regular meetings will resume next month: September 21, 2023 at 6:30 PM