

Sacred Heart Parish Council

Agenda and Notes: April 30, 2019 Meeting

- Prayer
- Praise stories: We briefly reviewed the following good things have / are happening at Sacred Heart
 - o Festival & APA update
 - o Lenten activities
 - Parish Mission
 - o Triduum and Easter
 - o Getting a seminarian for the summer! (see bio below)
 - o The garden
 - o Weekly “Thanks for Asking” articles in the bulletin
- Ongoing formation time, USCCB document on Stewardship – chapter 5
 - o *“In the lives of disciples, however, something else must come before the practice of stewardship. They need a flash of insight—a certain way of seeing—by which they view the world and their relationship to it in a fresh, new light.”*
 - o This finished the Stewardship document. The council agreed to read chapter 10 from Fr. White’s book, “Rebuild” on tithing.
- Feedback: We briefly discussed feedback the council members received on these activities
 - o Safe Haven Sunday: Despite the potential for controversy, we received no feedback either way on this.
 - o Lenten activities: All seemed to be received positively. The new schedule for Friday Stations of the Cross (3 times) and the Fish Fry went particularly well
 - o Triduum and Easter: Our attendance was done compared to 2018 but we received positive feedback on all the services
- Staffing reorganization: Fr. Kevin thanked the council for their input given at the prior meeting regarding the idea of eliminating the receptionist’s position in favor of using volunteers. That input helped in working out a better way to make the change which saves the parish ~23K. We’ll use it either to balance next year’s budget or to hire new staff. One possibility is a college intern doing communications (publicity, social media, bulletin) works. Another is adding this money to what we pay our contract musicians and hire a music director. There is no timetable for this decision.
- Name tags: Our current system for getting name tags is both difficult, expense, and takes multiple weeks. The council discussed look and priorities. As we move forward on this, we’ll get some samples to share with the council and others.
- Fr. Kevin provided some background on the following in order to keep the council members up to date
 - o He thanked the council for their “Thanks for Asking” ideas and encouraged new ones
 - o We’ve restocked all our First Aid Kits and added 2 new ones
 - o We now have Funeral Mass guides to give to those who are not familiar with a Catholic Mass
 - o We purchased 3 new computers – Laptops for Fr. Vijay and Lisa and a desktop for Melody

- Fr. Kevin will be working at the LifeTeen, Covecrest camp in Tiger, GA the last week of July and hopes to hike about 80 miles of the Appalachian Trail with his friend Fr. Brian immediately following Christmas
- Upcoming events
 - St. Mary of the Angels choir coming June 8, 9; Pentecost Sunday
 - Confirmation, April 28th at 11:30am Mass w/ Bishop Lynch
- Other business
 - Next meeting date June 11th? (2nd Tuesday, every other month)

Elvi Moya; “My name is Elvi Julian Moya and I’m a seminarian in the Diocese of St. Petersburg. Although I have lived in the Tampa Bay area for 12 years now, I was actually born in a town in New Jersey called Passaic. My family and I lived in New Jersey up until I was ten years old, and then relocated to Florida at the end of 2005. My parents had three children- two girls and one boy. Cintia is the eldest and Yasmin is the youngest- I’m the middle child! We began attending Nativity Catholic Church about two years after the move from New Jersey and it didn’t take long before Nativity became our home parish. After graduating college with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing I worked as a registered nurse at Sarasota Memorial for about nine months in the trauma progressive care unit. My leisure activities usually involve reading, exercising, playing sports, or watching a good movie! I left my career as a nurse to further discern a calling to the priesthood, and I would say one of the many things that attract me to the priesthood is the conforming of my life to that of Jesus Christ’s.”