

CHURCH OF CHRIST THE KING  
PASTORAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING

SEPTEMBER 11, 2023

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Father Morris. Those present were Donna Bosworth, Mike Bosworth, Candy Costa, Christine Shephard, Jim O'Leary, Matt Silva, Andy Taylor and Walter Richardson.

Father Morris thanked everyone who came to the installation on September 9<sup>th</sup>. He noted that the attendance at the 4 p.m. Saturday Mass appears to be increasing. The 9:30 Sunday Mass appears is showing signs of a small increase. There was a general discussion of things that can be done to increase attendance and participation.

A new bulletin cover was presented to the committee by Father Morris. The bulletin cover will feature Christ the King Church with information as well about St Anthony's Church. The new cover should be introduced during the second week of October. Christine Shephard inquired if the bulletin could include information about upcoming events at St Anthony's so that Christ the King parishioners could participate if they desire. Matt Silva noted that this would be difficult as both churches use a different bulletin company with different deadlines. To assist in getting out information about events at both churches, Father Morris advised the committee that he would read announcements at Mass.

Another method of disseminating information is through social media. It was noted that there is currently a joint St Anthony's / Christ the King Facebook page. Also there is another Facebook page for Christ the King alone. It was the consensus of the committee that we should explore ways to include current information on the Facebook page to encourage its use among those who follow Facebook.

Rita Selby was unable to attend due to illness and Father Morris read her report regarding Grandma's Attic. The report noted that prior to covid the store was open three days per week. It was reduced to one day and the Grandma's Attic committee would like to open on two days if enough people volunteer. During the last quarter 992 people were served.

Matt Silva discussed religious education. Four new children from Christ the King have registered. There is an attempt to try as much as possible to have some family Masses at Christ the King.

Donna Bosworth advised the committee that preparations are ongoing for the church bazaar in November. Andy Taylor suggested that a yard sale in the spring might be a possibility as a fund

raiser. Christine Shephard noted that she would like to organize a bake sale prior to Christmas as the one last December was quite successful and well received. Christine also raised the suggestion of a clam cake and chowder function which could be catered. Father Morris suggested a possible event could be a baccalaureate Mass for high school graduates and possibly college graduates in June. It could possibly include a clam cake and chowder dinner in the church hall.

The meeting schedule was discussed and for now meetings will be quarterly with the next meeting on Monday night November 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.