

St. Brendan Pastoral Council Meeting 9 December 2021 Minutes.

Attendees: Father Mark, Sandra Gemach (Chair), Marie Frost, Ginny Grant, John LeFebrve, Sandra Nelson, Maria Paslick, Maury Paslick, Bob McGahran, Giselle Bawab, Teddy Altreuter, Sally Dambaugh, Bob Blanchette, Jim Carmody, Mary Biesack and Ada Flores. Excused: Jack Semanko

- Father Mark opened meeting at 9:30 AM with a prayer and the minutes from the Nov 11th meeting were approved.
- Jack Semanko was excused from the meeting, but Father reported that the Finance Committee is satisfied with the current financial state of the parish. The “Old Columbarium” (290 niches) is full, and the “Expansion Columbarium” (100 niches) is now sold out. The construction of the 325-niche “New Columbarium” has been approved. New office building: permitting process is underway. Looking for a possible Groundbreaking Ceremony in February.
- Faith Formation—the brainstorming idea (requested by Fr. Mark) to alleviate the crowded parking lot on Faith Formation Sundays was sent into Parish Council. Faith Formation suggested the class times be adjusted to start at 9:00 AM and end by 10:15 AM to minimize overlap of parishioners in the parking lots. The PAC voted to recommended to the Pastor that we try this idea for the next Faith Formation year (2022-2023).
- PAC - If you have not gotten your photo to Fr. Mark yet, please do so.
- Fr. Paul sent information about his programs. He said Fr. Mark’s suggestion to do them on the first Friday after daily Mass has worked. The attendance has been great and people have stepped up to help with copying, refreshments and technology.
- Marie Frost gave a report on the Craft Show. It was a huge success. They raised a total of \$6,866 for our Food Pantry.
- Music Ministry – Sandy said the Christmas Concert will be held on December 24th at 3:15 PM which will last about 25 to 30 minutes, followed by the Christmas Eve Mass.
- Sandy Nelson reported that the Enhancement Committee will decorate on Dec 22nd with the Christmas flowers.
- There was an issue with the front door being hard to open. A locksmith came and the door is working properly now.
- A date and ideas for Fr. Paul’s 40th Anniversary of Ordination Celebration was discussed. The actual anniversary date is Sunday 24 April 2022. Fr. Mark will meet with Fr. Paul and get his invite list. A Sub-committee was formed to brainstorm a date and place and what’s needed. We will further discuss at next meeting.
- Fr. Mark asked for approval of the Pastoral Council Constitution, and it was approved. He will submit to the Diocese. The re-election process was brought up. It was agreed that a subcommittee should be formed to develop the process for future elections. This will be discussed in more detail at the next meeting.
- A question was asked about a “vision plan” or strategic plan for the Parish. Fr. Mark will send us a template for what the Pastoral Plan should look like before the next meeting.
- Dates for meetings were selected for the first half of 2022. All are Thursdays after the 9 AM Mass: 13 January, 10 February, 10 March, 7 April, 12 May, and 9 June.
- Fr. Mark led the closing prayer.