

# St. Margaret Mary Pastoral Council Meeting

Date: June 1, 2023

Attendance: Fr. Greg, Deacon René, Bruce Coughlan, Christina Mines, Rose Del Grosso, Mary Luciani, Marilyn Sturtevant, Sarah Mandarano, Mario Salvatore, Kim Drotar

Absent: Fr. Arpee, Edna Moreno

1. Youth Ministry
  - 26 people responded to the survey, 4 of which were youth.
  - Most responses were for youth between the ages of 13 and 17 years old.
  - Consensus is to hire a youth minister, will take next steps to make that happen.
  - Difference between a part-time youth minister and full-time youth minister is whether they focus just on programming or whether they are able to accompany young people.
  - Idea: invite parishioners to conversations after weekend Masses to gather more input about a youth ministry program.
  - Important for the parish to discern a vision for youth ministry prior to hiring a youth minister, to define their role and goals.
  - We should begin to pray for young people and vocations on Sundays.
  - Christina to reach out to Nicole McCowell to connect us with St. Ann's Parish, which is also discerning a youth ministry program, to learn about the process they are taking; will also ask about who should be included in a group of "stakeholders" in youth ministry to further discuss priorities for youth ministry. Christina will forward this information to Bruce, who will delegate the job of gathering that group to some parishioners.
2. Bathrooms
  - Should be redone.
  - Mario to talk to building committee about improving bathrooms.
3. Volunteer List
  - It would be useful to have a list of volunteers to call on for things like washing altar server vestments, helping at funerals, etc.
  - Rose to add a call for volunteers in the next bulletin.
4. Socials
  - July 1 – Strawberry Social (Kim)
  - August – Knights of Columbus
5. Corpus Christi Procession
  - Will likely be indoors

Next meeting: Thursday, September 28 at 6:30 PM