

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA PARISH

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 18, 2024. 7PM-8:20 PM

Present: Monsignor Timothy Moran, Jason Gilliland,
Al Kulevich, Ben LaBrecque, Jen Mackey-
LaBrecque, Lynne Celli, Linda Newall

Next meeting: Wednesday, October 16, 2024 7pm

June minutes : Reviewed and accepted.

Reports:

Update from Monsignor Moran

-The Parish held a retirement celebration for Mitch on Sunday, September 15th. Many good wishes were expressed. We wish Mitch all the best for his retirement.

-Kris Larson will be Ordained as Deacon on September 21, 2024 at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross. There will be a Mass of Thanksgiving on September 22nd at Our Lady Star of the Sea at 9:00 in the morning followed by a reception in the Parish Center. Kris has been assigned to Our Lady Star of the Sea.

-Weekly Eucharistic Exposition - a weekly opportunity for prayer, devotion and worship before the Eucharist. Adoration will now occur on Thursday evenings from 6:00 to 7:00 o'clock, anytime during that hour. Join us in prayer.

-New Archbishop of Boston will be Bishop Richard G. Henning. He will be ordained at the end of October.

Summer Garden Party

-The event was held at the end of June and was a great success. It was very well attended, the music was outstanding and many danced the night away.

Religious Education:

-Current enrollment in the program totals 207 students. Plus 32 students for grades 9 through 11. Nine of these students are registered the remainder still need to register.

-The program has three teams of young adults teaching.

-More substitute teachers are needed. Four people signed up to be substitutes although, none have been available when needed.

-Virtus Programs

Virtue programs are taking place on September 28th from 9am to Noon and October fourth from 10am to 1pm.

-Youth Ministry:

The response to our Youth Ministry program has been both positive and exciting. This program is a wonderful opportunity for the students and our Parish. The group met on Sunday the 15th to begin planning for a strong and supportive youth community. Stay tuned.

Nursing Home Visitors:

-Ben gave an update on our relationship with our Marblehead Nursing Homes. The programs are effective and going well. The Eucharist is brought to Catholic residents weekly and Mass continues to be said monthly. There were four individuals who signed up to help with the program on Ministry Weekend.

Christmas Fair

-Plans are underway for this season's Christmas Fair. We are lining up vendors and raffle prizes. We will continue to update the Council.

Pancake Breakfast

-The committee is gathering volunteers and shopping

lists. The event will be held on Sunday, October 27th in the Parish Center.

The Brass Band returns !

-The event will take place on December 8th at 2pm. The cost of tickets will remain at \$15.

Applications for membership on Parish Pastoral Council

- We have ten parishioners interested in becoming members of the Parish Council. Jason Gilliland and Linda Newall are on the Nomination Committee. The process will continue according to the Parish By-laws.

