

# BENEDICTINE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF

# SAINT JOSEPH & SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

## Joint Parish Advisory Council

Thursday, March 21st, 2024

6:00 to 7:30 pm

Saint Joseph Church Heritage Hall

**Meeting called by:** Lance Nydeen

**Type of meeting:** Joint ACC Meeting

**Note taker:** Lisa Barton

### Agenda Items

	Action	Presenter(s)	Time (on clock)	Notes
1. Welcome		Lance Nydeen	6:00	
2. Prayer		Lance Nydeen	6:09	
3. Introduction of Members *Guest: Brenda Kresky		Lance Nydeen	6:09	Brenda shared statistics about the Diocese as well as our parishes, the philosophy of using our resources, intentional collaboration and working together. Discussion followed.
4. Agenda & Prior Minutes Review		Lance Nydeen	7:15	
5. Brenda Kresky Presentation		Brenda Kresky	6:15	Presentation
6. Discussion Items:				
a. Future Joint ACC Meeting Dates	Information	Lance Nydeen	6:45	Next fiscal year, joint meetings will be held the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday in August, October, January, March and May (if needed)
b. Joint Eucharistic Revival Committee Updates	Informational	Joyce Abeln Steve Meyer Fr. Brad	6:50	There will be an insert in the Easter bulletin with links to all the events and information for the Eucharistic Revival
c. ACC Meeting w/Bishop Neary	Discussion	Fr. Brad Jenniges	7:00	Fr. Brad covered information with both councils.

<p>d. Role as Joint Committee (not discussed at the 3/21 meeting – just left the notes in)</p>	<p>Discussion</p>	<p>Lance Nydeen</p>	<p><b>Notes from previous meeting:</b>  <b>Conversation starters:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Meeting dates</li> <li>2. Facilities and Spaces Use</li> <li>3. Joint community invitations       <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Men's/Women's Bible groups</li> <li>b. Multi-Generational Programming</li> <li>c. Inter-Faith Information Sessions</li> </ol> </li> <li>4. Challenges/successes and how we can work together</li> </ol> <p><b>Discussion items(Continued):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What does a good integrated ACC look like?       <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ One staff?</li> <li>○ An article in the Central Minnesota Catholic Magazine reflects upon this idea.  <a href="https://thecentralminnesotacatholic.org/special-report-accs-are-focused-on-the-mission/">https://thecentralminnesotacatholic.org/special-report-accs-are-focused-on-the-mission/</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>• How can we better communicate to parishioners of both parishes that events can be attended by anyone from either parish—regardless of who is planning it?       <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ ACC email update monthly?</li> <li>○ Joint website?</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Is there a common stressor or challenge where we could combine efforts in resolving?</li> <li>• Could there be a combined parish directory?       <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Saint Joseph will be scheduling dates for photos to be taken in July of 2024</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Are we an ACC with two communities?</li> <li>• Some items have been successful:       <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Bulletin Combined</li> <li>○ Christmas Leadership Social</li> <li>○ Joint Eucharistic Revival Committee</li> <li>○ Common Pastor</li> <li>○ Joint Mass Schedule</li> <li>○ Joint Reconciliation Schedules</li> <li>○ Joint Staff Meetings</li> <li>○ Sacrament of Confirmation celebrated together.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Compare the connection to communities coming together to form a larger school district.</li> </ul>
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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thinking about Easter Vigil Mass <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Primary Easter Mass for Saint John the Baptist</li> <li>○ Saint Joseph has Candidates to be Initiated into the Church during the Easter Vigil Mass.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
e. Lenten Giving to the Food Shelf		Julie Ortloff	7:15	Weekly needs were communicated.
f. Open Discussion	Discussion	Lance Nydeen	7:29	Dee Dee presented information on a new event June 9th called Joetown Blocks. How can we participate? ----- Additional discussion: What can we do to form lay leaders. How can we offer more fellowship opportunities in a social setting.
7. Adjournment				
8. Prayer		Lance Nydeen	7:39	
9. Adjournment				

**Other Information:**

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**Future Topics:**

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**Attendance:**

A/P/V	Name	A/P/V	Name
	<b>Saint Joseph</b>		<b>Saint John the Baptist</b>
P	Budde, Dede (SJ Trustee)	A	Dan Backes (Trustee)
A	Bechtold, Bruce (SJ Trustee)	A	Peternell, Heidi (Trustee)
P	Meyer, Steve	A	Abeln, Joyce
P	Lisa Barton (SJ Business Administrator)	A	Wallner, Scott
P	Nydeen, Lance—Chair	A	Koltes, Tess
P	Fink, Jacob—Vice Chair	P	Posch, Brian
P	Zsupan-Jerome, Daniella	P	Ortloff, Julie (Business Administrator)
P	Imholte, Bernie	P	Jenniges, Fr. Brad (Pastor)
P	O'Donnell, Kristen	P	Bob Mayers
P	DeVargas, Vince	P	Greg Hansen

