

Parish Council Notes: February 12, 2019

New Parish Council Definition & Communication Process

1. Need to create a vision and mission statement for Parish Council
 - Need PC to have clear objectives that align with “Parish Pastoral Council, General Norms, Accountability and Ecclesiastical Processes” and monthly check-ins to make sure we are on track with achieving our goals
 - Backdrop for supporting key topics/use this as a lens:
 - Parish Spiritual Life
 - Catholic education
 - Human Concerns
 - Parish Life
 - Need to conduct a high-level planning session to establish plans for the year
 - Consider setting guidelines for what we should be accomplishing every month of the PC calendar year (evergreen)
 - Renew Our Church needs to be in our vision/mission statement
 - About joining our resources and coming together
 - Parish Council email address? Invite parishioners at all masses to reach out and ask questions to Parish Council.
2. Need to increase communication about Parish Council at Mass
 - Post-Parish Council Mass Report – We will do a 1-minute report at every mass the weekend following Parish Council
 - i. 5 pm: Luke/Father Frank
 - ii. 9 am: Jess
 - iii. 12 pm: Jaime
 - iv. 6 pm: Dani
 - Monthly PC Notes – Will be posted as a PDF on the new parish website
 - i. Notes should be emailing them to John DeWyze at website@teresa.church
 - A “Parish Council Meeting Updates” will be included in the bulletin each week following Parish Council

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Mass Speaking Notes/Parish Bulletin Summary:

Parish Council February Meeting Updates

Renewed Vision & More Communication

- For those of you who don't know, the St. Teresa's Parish Council meets every second Monday of the month. We are in the process of revamping the vision and mission of our ministry in an effort to ensure that we can better meet the needs of our growing parish. Please look for more communication about parish happenings at all upcoming masses!

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