St. Joseph Pastoral & Mission Council Meeting Minutes February 9, 2023, 7PM Conference Room

Approval of Minutes – APPROVED

Action Items

- Anticipated Vacancies on the Council Kathleen, Will, and Jen
 - Will reach out to others on if they wish to stay
- Parish Work on the Synodal Reports
 - Plan to have 2 three-hour meetings, hope to draw 150 people per meeting. 1. Trust building 2. Action items. People are encouraged to attend both meetings.

Open Forum

- Fr. Chris concerned about Mass participation
 - We are seeing a 40% loss from pre-pandemic times
 - Need to focus on making people feel welcome
 - Engage more with kids and teens
- Discerning Deacons is making progress through the parish and Archdiocese. Meeting with Archbishop in the future.
- Adult faith formation
 - Emphasis on parents
 - Catholic social teaching
 - Small groups during Lent introduce a way to use asynchronous communication for accountability/relationship building
 - The synod process
- Hospitality continue growing
- Sunday Dinner/Book club Idea from Kathleen to encourage learning and fellowship