

**MINUTES**  
**PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Oct 1, 2017**

1. Attendance: All Pastoral Council Members were in attendance or excused. (See Atch 1)
2. Opening Prayer: Father Bob led the Parish Council in prayer
3. Approved Minutes from 3 September 2017
4. Opening Remarks:
  - a. Father Bob commented on all the good things happening in the parish including a marriage on Saturday, two baptisms and Bishop Wack's Niceville visit to speak and hear confession of our youth.
  - b. Lenny Smales detailed the busy October calendar such as the Parish Golf Tournament, KoC Pancake Breakfast and Parish Picnic. He suggested we referenced the bulletin for exact dates on times. Len concluded by highlighting the next Parish Council meeting would be the last for the outgoing members and first for the newly elected. Therefore we'll start with a potluck brunch before the meeting and reminded all outgoing members to please return their binders.
5. Unfinished Business:
  - a. Ministry Workshop Update Diane Mitchell
    - i. Diane spoke about the ministry workshop, which went very well, and about 50 people attend the training. Speakers included Father Bob and Deacon Jim who began the workshop with encouraging words. The potluck breakfast worked very well and feedback suggests it should be continued next year. Deacon Jim and Diane had some additional ideas to make it even better and they will confer one-on-one.
  - b. Pastoral Council Election Update Tom Means
    - i. Tom briefed the election process has been simplified due to having four nominees for the four openings. Tricia is waiting on the biography and picture of one individual before she can post in the bulletin, which should complete the formal election process.
  - c. Parish Picnic Update Rich Pearson
    - i. Rich provided an update on the Parish Picnic planning and handoff to Ken Rodriguez who will run it for him this year. Highpoints included: meats are provided by Daniel Soto from Café Rico, KoC will cook hot dogs and hamburgers, bouncy castle is reserved and parish hall setup will begin no earlier than 1015 on 15 Oct.

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6. New Business:

a. Ministry Liaison Reports

- i. Social: Single Divorced, Widowed Jed Clements  
1. No report

- ii. Hospitality: Ralph Sorrell  
1. Ralph talked to Coleen about the last meeting's discussion items and he is still working with her on those notes.

b. Worship: EMHC, Lectors, Sacristans, Altar Servers Doug Blandford

- i. Sacristans (see report Atch 2)  
ii. EMHC – Len discussed a need for more ministers to conduct visitation of the sick or homebound. He spoke about how rewarding this ministry is and asked all to consider volunteering.

c. Worship: Josh Vu

- i. Ushers/Greeters (see Atch 3)  
ii. Arts & Environments  
1. No Report  
iii. Music Advent Mission + dinner (See Atch 4)

- d. Upcoming Assignment: Ministry Appreciation Dinner Lenny Smales  
i. Len mentioned he received no inputs on the Ministry Appreciation dinner but he and Tom will work out a plan.

7. Finance Council

Dick Harp

- a. Dick reported there is almost \$3000 in silent auction bids already. He thanked those that set it up and reminded us that some items can still be bid on at the tournament. Dick commented on the financial status that was briefed during the mass and the need to increase collection. There was good discussion on how to do this including online tithing and Cici offered to setup a booth after mass to demonstrate how to do this. Len asked Cici to get with Gretchen to set it up. Len and Deacon Bill pointed out the real issue is in trying to reach out to the parishioners that don't donate and that would be the real challenge. Len recommended that everyone should first look at the bulletin insert, come up with at least one question and bring it to Dick Harp at the next financial council meeting.

8. Closing Prayer by Father Bob

Respectfully submitted by:

Tom Means, COR Pastoral Council Secretary

**Upcoming dates:** 5 Nov, Pastoral Council Meeting at 12pm