



# Saint Bartholomew Church

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## PASTORAL COUNCIL

Regular Meeting Minutes Sept. 21, 2022

**Present:** Fr. Andrew Umberg, Kathy Rothschild (Business Manager), Jerry Yox, Joanne Hauser, Joe Arnold, Ashley Evans, Joy Niehaus, Jon Tobin, Ken Radziwon (Secretary for 9-21-22)

**Absent:** Matt Jung, Charlie McDonald

**Guests:**

**Opening:** The meeting was opened at 7:30 PM by council chair Jerry Yox with Fr. Umberg saying the opening prayer. Note: the meeting was held in the office conference room.

- Approve August Minutes – since not everyone received or was able to open the August minutes, Father reviewed and provided 3 updates to the August minutes.
- Jon Tobin was introduced as a new member to the Pastoral Council
- Bart's Bards (VP Barry Reynolds, Pres Maddy W, member-at-large Cheryl Coleman) were in attendance to introduce Bart's Bards to Fr. Umberg; because of the success of Music Man this summer, they presented a check to St. Bart's, along with checks to SVDP and Mt. Healthy Food Alliance. Father would like to be included on future musicals to make sure they are in line with the church's teachings/messages.
- Fall Picnic will be Sunday, Oct. 23, after the 11:15 mass. Jerry will coordinate set-up on Sunday. Bengals are playing at 1:00. St. Bart's will provide the chicken while the parishioners will provide the sides (1<sup>st</sup> half of alphabet) and desserts (2<sup>nd</sup> half of alphabet). There will be a Chili Contest that Fr. Umberg will judge.
- Sunday mass schedule – Mother of Christ and St. Bernard both have 1 mass, each on Sunday morning. Assumption and St. Clare were asked to go from 3 to 2 masses, each with 1 Saturday mass and 1 Sunday mass. Assumption has already decided on a 9:30 Sunday mass. St. Clare will decide by Ash Wednesday. St. Bart's and St. Vivian's will stay with 2 masses each, 1 on Saturday and 1 on Sunday; no Saturday mass for Sunday's obligation will start before 3:00 PM. Father is asking St. Bart's to consider pushing out our 11:15 AM mass anywhere from 15 to 45 minutes. He would like to see a decision from us by the first of the year (1/1/23).

### Finance Update – Kathy Rothschild

- Festival netted about \$74,000, the best ever.

### Pastor's Update-Father Umberg:

- Father is going to create a Super Council with 2 representatives from each of the 6 members of our Family of Parishes – From St. Bart's we agreed that Joe Arnold and Joy Niehaus will be our representatives, with Ken Radziwon serving as an alternate if needed. Father would like to meet with this Super Council once before Thanksgiving and once in December. After that, probably every other month.
- On confessions, Father will not have general absolution or penance services but will instead use Confession-a-thons. He will work to have an outside team of priest to assist
- Relative to keeping churches open, attendance is king at Sunday Mass.
- Father continues to ask for prayers, cooperation, and positive energy

- Father plans to offer a morning mass at one church and a noon mass at another 5 days a week, along with a Saturday morning mass. Hopes to implement sometime between Advent and Lent.

**Next meeting:** Wed. Oct. 19, 2022 @ 7:00 pm

The meeting was closed with a prayer by Fr. Umberg

Respectfully submitted by Ken Radziwon