

Saint Matthew Ecumenical Catholic Church
Communications, Public Relations, and Membership Ministry
Minutes for October 19, 2022 Meeting

Meeting was conducted via Zoom by Justin and called to order by Sharon at 6:30 pm.

In attendance: Sharon Smith (Liaison to Parish Council, Acting Chair and scribe for this meeting), Justin Veiga, and guest – Meredythe Hutchinson.

Members excused: Tammy Fuqua (Liaison to Clergy Council), Angelica Tronco (SMECC Webmaster), and Stephany Crisantos, and Angela Crisantos

Angela and Stephanie plan to discontinue serving on CPRM at this time due to other priorities and personal circumstances. Angelica was unable to attend the meeting but was on call for text messages if necessary.

Approval of the Minutes:

No minutes were provided for this meeting.

CPRM Purpose:

Sharon briefly discussed the purpose of the CPRM Ministry as stated in the Parish Bylaws and mentioned that another committee lead by Deacon Tony and Mother Jetty were working on membership.

Parish Council and ECC Report:

- Sharon reported on the ECC Synod held in Saint Louis, Missouri that she attended a week ago. The ECC elected a new Presiding Bishop, Paul Burson from Colorado. Saint Matthew's may have been the largest delegation attending: eleven counting parishioners and clergy. The focus and theme seemed to be about healing. Ours was not the only parish that has had challenging circumstances over the last two years. Attendance seemed to be about half of what it was four years ago in Tempe Arizona. The next synod will be held in Denver Colorado.
- Our property is now in escrow. The transaction will pay off our mortgage, and position us to buy a new property.
- Raise Right Fundraising had begun.
- The trend to include and cultivate our Hispanic community continues. The children and youth programs are thriving and include young people from our Hispanic families. It is time to consider Spanish translation on our website and more.

Old Business:

- Justin explained that Google Business is not something to be concerned about.
- Accomplishments include the Lay Ministry page, Home page clean-up, See's Candy announcements, Bible Study announcement, the bible verse overlay, the new Saint Matthew Video was posted, and many other updates were done.
- The Ministry Gift Wish List project is progressing now. Sharon has provided more content and images. Justin encouraged Sharon to provide the remaining images in time to complete for the holiday season this year.

New Business:

- Meredythe attended the CPRM meeting and may become a member. She is helping with website content such as writing new narratives for the Sacraments page, I'm New page, and also cleaning up and formatting the Inquiry student guides and teacher keys.
- Deacon Tony and Deacon Tammy are working on the clergy updates.

Next Meeting: November 16, 2022

Respectfully submitted by Sharon Smith