

Member	Present
Fr. Adam Zajac	X
Dave Clifford - Chair	X
Amy Asseff - Secretary	X
Karen Cocita	X
Briana David	X
Paul Gambon	X
Virginia Greuloch	X
Michael Kay	X
Deacon Dave Lundeen	X
Anna Maria Masterson	X
Ed Morris	Excused
Nikki O’Sullivan	Excused
Mary Price	Excused
Joe Stottner	X
Mike Tucker	X
Michael Garvin (<i>observer status</i>)	X

Opening Prayer: Michael Kay

Roll Call/ Welcome: Roll Call Waived

Approval of Minutes of September 2021 meeting: Motion to Approve: Karen Cocita
 Second: Virginia Greuloch
 Approved

Commission Reports:

• **Education**

School - Report by Karen Cocita

- School Christmas Activities
 - Virtual Santa Visit: Pre-K through Grade 3 visited with Santa virtually
 - Socks for Love: students and school families prepared gifts of socks filled with candy and other small age-appropriate gifts to deliver to Cleveland inner-city Catholic school; each child in the partner school received a gift
 - All-School Mass
 - Breakfast with Santa
 - First Grade went caroling throughout the building
- First day back from Christmas Holiday is January 3
- MAP testing will take place in January

Adult Education – Report by Briana David

- Racial Justice program final event is visit from Cary Dabney of Walsh University on MLK Day
 - Initial program was with a select group of parishioners
 - Planning structure of future program that can support parish-wide participation

• **Liturgy**

Report by Anna Maria Masterson

- Committee met in December
- Synod on Synodality – St. Mark will hold "Listening Sessions" with Michael Garvin in January
 - For more information, see: <https://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/synod>

St. Mark Pastoral Council Monthly Meeting Minutes

December 16, 2021, 7:00 pm – Via Zoom

Prepared by Amy Asseff, Secretary

- **Social & Recreational** No Report
Comment from Fr. Adam
 - Markers Christmas Party took place on December 4

- **Social Concerns** No Report
Comment from Fr. Adam
 - Habitat for Humanity Faith Build needs a new liaison from St. Mark
 - La Sagrada meal preparation and dinner service is on hold for now – don't have enough volunteers at this time
 - Discussion of utilizing St. Mark facility for meal prep to ensure consistent product and safety
 - Could also engage Youth Group and Confirmation candidates

- **Spiritual Development** Report by Deacon Dave Lundeen
 - Advent Wreaths were made and blessed in Social Hall on November 27
 - Working on more opportunities for Eucharistic Adoration and Holy Hours in 2022
 - Monthly Adoration will continue on first Friday of each month
 - Looking for speaker for Lenten Mission – three nights during Lent

- **Evangelization** No Report

Unfinished Business

Christmas Morning Project ("CMP") – Update from Dave Clifford

- Need to take inventory of donated items
- Received about \$4000 in cash donations
- Volunteers meeting to assemble care packages
- Care packages will be distributed Christmas morning after 8:30 mass

Strategic Planning Update

- Including social and community building in five-year plan
- Will further discuss SWOT analysis strengths and weaknesses at next meeting

Discussion of Diocesan Future of Education initiative

- Emphasis on recruiting and retention of teachers
 - Proposal: Recruit from consecrated religious community and graduates of Catholic institutions

Tom Bodle Memorial

- Tree has been planted
- Plaque is in process
- Margie Bodle came to last Holy Name Society meeting to acknowledge memorial
 - Plan to have formal service in spring to place the plaque and establish the memorial site

COVID-19 Update

- Masks required as St. Mark until further notice from Diocese or Jesus returns, whichever happens first

St. Mel dual pastorship update from Fr. Adam

- Held dual events: Markers Christmas Party and Advent Wreath workshop
 - Held at St. Mark but invited St. Mel parishioners
- Symbolon is being held at St. Mel – will continue in January 2022

New Business

Discussion of Parish Facilities and audit of future expenses

- Need to study feasibility of investing in solar panels of roofs of social hall and school

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- Finance Council will evaluate costs and benefits of solar panel investment and other facility needs

Open Forum

Amy Asseff discussed The Chosen Christmas Special

Paul Gambon discussed cost of new air conditioning

Good of the Organization

No discussion

Closing Prayer:

Fr. Adam

Motion to Adjourn:

Waived

Next Meeting:

January 13, 2022 at 7:00 pm, location TBD