

Minutes 11/30/18

Attendees: Colleen McCahill, Al Reichelt, Gerry F., Maureen D., Fr. Ray Chase, Pat Ball, Amber Hendricks

Primary business was that the group determined a Vision and Mission Statement to help direct our future work together.

Vision Statement

We, the People of God, are birthing a more transparent and collaborative Church.

Mission Statement

We show up to initiate and grow transformative, reciprocal, and engaged relationships among laity, religious, and clergy. We hope to create and sustain meaningful change in the power dynamics and the structure of the Church. We will work toward the restoration and healing necessary due to the sexual abuse of children by priests and its cover-up.

Also discussed was where are we at in the process of establishing the Archdiocesan Pastoral Council? It was proposed that we write a letter to the effect that we received news of this with great hope. With all deliberate speed we would like to begin the process. Could we have a more open process for appointing delegates – i.e. not appointing but electing. We would also want to reference the paradigm from Borders. - **Colleen to draft a letter** to Archbishop Lori before our next meeting and email to group.

It was also proposed that we request that the parish continue our efforts to communicate with our leadership. Further discussion is needed to decide how often to ask the church to send this communication.