

Our Lady of the Snows
Parish Pastoral Council
Quarterly Update -4th Quarter, 2018



The OLS Parish Pastoral Council consists of 12 members whose mission is to represent the parishioners and assist the pastor in matters related to the parish. *

The following is a summary of the most recent business conducted by the OLS Parish Pastoral Council for the 4th Quarter December 31st, 2018:

- ❖ Post Baptismal-Holy Family Outreach – PPC members were provided with an update on this important ministry. The purpose of this outreach effort is to encourage families whose children have recently been baptized at Our Lady of the Snows to continue participation in the spiritual life of the parish. The Post Baptismal Holy Family Outreach Ministry began in July of 2015. All “Welcome Letters” and “Anniversary Letters” have been sent to the families of the newly baptized.
- ❖ PPC members were updated on various activities related to the Youth Outreach goal. The Youth Group is in a temporary hiatus. The Parish Council together with the Pastor, Fr. McBrien, continue to explore opportunities to engage the youth of the parish and their families towards the goal of continuing faith formation, instilling a service ethic and also having fun.
- ❖ The Leadership Committee is working with the ministries, societies, organizations, and clubs (MSOCs) in the parish. The Leadership Committee helps the various organizations in the parish to identify future leaders, define goals and objectives, and increase participation. The Leadership Committee continues to meet with the current leaders of the various MSOCs to accomplish these goals.
- ❖ An installation Mass was held on October 21st at the 11:00 am Mass to install Steven Aranha, Clare Gluck, Joseph Prabhakar, and Lisa Ross to the Parish Council.
- ❖ The Parish Council and the Leadership Committee participated in a “Day of Reflection” on October 6th. Father Thomas Massaro, SJ, facilitated the day’s activities that focused on the opportunities to enhance the spiritual life of the parish.
- ❖ Several Parish Council Members attended the Q5 Deanery Meeting on November 7th at Our Lady of Blessed Sacrament in Bayside. The meeting focused on planning the future in our parishes. Benefits and challenges of parish partnerships were reviewed.
- ❖ Ministry Brochures - A rack containing ministry brochures is located in the gathering space. These informative brochures contain information about the ministries, societies, organizations, and clubs operating in the parish. Contact information is provided in each of the brochures if you need more information or are interested in participating in any of the ministries, societies, organizations, and clubs.
- ❖ The Parish Council is reviewing and updating goals and objectives. Input from parishioners regarding issues and ideas are always welcome.

*For more information about OLS Parish Pastoral Council, please visit the OLS Parish Website:
www.olsnows.org

