Planning Team Minutes 3 – 16 - 2016

Present: Stephanie Houck, Jennifer Sharp, Karl Messmer, Bob Duthie, Barb Willers,
                Kathleen Rourke, Scott Hamula, Kathy Sinkiewicz, Gerry Frank,
                Father Bernard Maloney, Father Brendan Buckley, Karen Rinefierd,
                Lee Anne Fox.

Opened with the group saying the Unity Prayer.

The following was determined as the needs that differentiate the 3 churches:

Holy Cross: * Because of age of parishioners Saturday night Mass would need to be early
                to allow parishioners not to have to travel when dark.
              * Mass at a time music ministry can perform on a regular basis. Sunday Mass
                before 11:00. Expectation for them at a Saturday 4:00 Mass is too hard.

St Francis: * No Saturday Mass but flexible with the time of a Sunday morning Mass.

St James: * Members were divided on their needs. They will have a Saturday Mass but
              are concerned with the Sunday Masses and losing some from 8 :00 and some
              from the 10:30.

Father Brendan suggested St James be a little flexible because they are the only church that
has 2 Masses.

Went through all the scenarios and with compromises on everyone's part we came up with the
following schedule which can be done with just 1 priest:

**Saturday - SJA - 4 or 5   Sunday -SFS 8:00, a 9:15 and a 10:45. After much discussion the
places of these Masses will be determined.**

There will be listening sessions in all 3 churches and the dates for these are as follows:

Holy Cross and St Francis on April 2nd and 3rd after the Masses.
St James on Sunday, April 10th after each Mass.
Notes will be taken just for our own use. Notices will go in the bulletins for the meetings.

We should have a response on the merger from Bishop Matano by May 15th and Mass changes
would probably take place in June.

The first meeting of the new Pastoral Council will take place April 13th. The question of what
would happen with buildings and grounds came up and we were told that each church would
have local people to report to the Finance Council.

Next meeting is scheduled for April 14th at 7:00.

Closing prayer