

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

January 12, 2021

AGENDA

NOTE: 7pm Zoom call

ATTENDEES:Fr. Jim McNulty, Mark Tuttle, John Brady, Denise Brady, Terri Field, Deacon Don, Deb Beaman, Jane DeRoo, Elisabeth Johnston, Megan Szczypka Wolschleger, Alex Mager

ABSENTEES:Joe Bertrand, Renee Billotto

- I. OPENING PRAYER – Denise
- II. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES – Approved
- III. CHAIRMAN’S COMMENTS
 - a. Church was decorated beautifully for Christmas season as always!
 - b. Feedback from parishioners were excited to return for Christmas Mass.
- IV. FR. JIM’S COMMENTS
 - a. Christmas
 - i. Mass attendance
 1. Christmas Eve 4 pm – 183
 2. Christmas Eve 6:30 pm - 155
 3. Midnight – 142
 4. Christmas Day 8:30 am – 133
 5. Christmas Day 11 am – 157
 6. Saturday 5 pm – 178
 7. Sunday 8:30 am – 60+
 8. Sunday 11 am – 60+
 9. Hall was not needed for any of the Christmas Masses.
 - ii. Christmas collection
 1. Currently received more than what was budgeted \$170k.
 2. Appreciative of parishioner generosity throughout the pandemic and Christmas season!
 - b. Other
 - i. CSA – Below budget as of November, but Finance council to update in January 2021 meeting. Fr. Jim is confident that we will meet our goal.
 - ii. Families of Parishes – No update since December. One of the priests within each family is expected to be Moderator of the family. In May, each family will determine how they will work together to create their own “covenant”. Focus will be on integration some of the smaller programs that would be more beneficial if groups were larger.
 - iii. Christmas season postcards will be sent out earlier next year during Advent season.

- V. COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - a. VICARIATE – No update
 - b. CHRISTIAN SERVICE
 - i. Christmas Outreach to Hope Clinic contributed \$4,700
 - ii. MOPS meeting via Zoom and outdoors for group activities.
 - iii. New Dawn have been connecting via phone calls, which is going well.
 - iv. Cards including handmade rosary and pamphlet of how to pray rosary with children for those who've been recently baptized.
 - v. K of C meeting via Zoom and volunteer on Tuesday's at Christine's Soup Kitchen. Two of our knights, Ray Busuttill and Gary Chevillet, were awarded as Knights of the Year in 2020.
 - c. EDUCATION
 - i. School returned to in-school learning after Christmas break.
 - ii. Virtual Open House is scheduled for Sunday January 31st to kick off Catholic Schools Week.
 - iii. SEPA – Planned activities in person are on hold during pandemic.
 - iv. Religious education – Returning to in-person classes soon.
 - v. Walking with Purpose are meeting via Zoom.
 - vi. CARES Act – School was able to obtain funds for technology advancement, which was used for additional 20 iPads, and at a minimal cost to school.
 - d. EVANGELIZATION
 - i. Welcoming committee are volunteering prior to Masses.
 - ii. New families are registering at the parish.
 - e. SENIORS – No update
 - f. WORSHIP
 - i. Monthly meeting scheduled for tomorrow.
 - ii. All groups did their part (and more) to make Christmas season possible.
 - iii. Flowers purchased from Canton Gardens who stand behind their product.
 - iv. Parishioner Dick Cassel who has been very active in our outdoor environment throughout the past several years recently offered to take down all the outdoor decoration this year.
 - v. Is it an option to include song lyrics in the weekly bulletin so people can sing along if they choose considering they are socially distanced and wearing masks?
 - g. FINANCE
 - i. Expenses are 2% down due to pandemic, which is a positive.
 - ii. Income is down due to cash/coins from weekly collections, which is understandable.
 - iii. Finance Council to report out following January meeting.
 - iv. PPP funds are treated as a loan and cannot be booked until it is forgiven. It is expected to be forgiven, but it is a long process.

- v. Online Giving contributions have increased substantially at beginning of the pandemic because people could not come to Mass in person, but it has leveled off since that initial increase.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Mass attendance this past weekend were up and reassuring!
- b. Fish Fry
 - i. Will it be carryout/curbside option be available?
 - ii. Will we consider small capacity in-person dining?
 - iii. Meeting should be held soon to determine what is the plan for this Lent.
- c. Song lyrics included in the virtual Mass during recent Masses are appreciated. Thank you to Connie, Larry, and team for all that they've done to make the virtual Mass happen during pandemic. Suggest showing appreciation to this team in the church bulletin.

VII. FEBRUARY 9, 2021 MEETING – OPENING & CLOSING PRAYER VOLUNTEER

- a. Opening prayer – Deb
- b. Closing prayer – Terri

VIII. CLOSING PRAYER – Elisabeth