

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

November 5, 2020

1. Prayer and Attendance

Angie called to order a meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council at 7:00pm, on November 5, 2020 via Zoom.

The following persons were present: Heather Duggan, Fr. Tim Coonen, Angela Burton, Frank Hegyi, Angela Davis, Chidi Njoku, Patrick Zdunich, Mary Egan

Regrets: Jordan Samaroo, Nicola Whitehouse, Maureen Cerroni

2. Agenda: Approved by Patrick and Chidi

3. Approval of minutes of October 1, 2020 meeting: Correct the date of the next meeting. Add that Jordan's conflict is only for November and December. Approved by Angela and Mary

4. Guest presenter: Proposal for Distanced Christmas Social Gathering: Brian Cano

Suggested date: Sunday, December 20th from 2pm to 5pm

Social hour from 2pm to 3:30pm and concert to follow from 3:30pm to 5pm. Parishioners will register to receive Zoom link. Volunteers will be needed to be hosts in the breakout social rooms in Zoom. The volunteers will meet via Zoom in late November or early December. Parishioners will be invited via the bulletin/email. The Zoom host will need to learn about managing breakout rooms.

Suggestions from PPC: Timing might be better at 2 hours. Announcement to be put in bulletin for volunteers for breakout room hosts. Registration information for parishioners will be included in the bulletin.

5. Standing Items

5.1 Pastoral Team Report

One First Communion Mass has been celebrated, the remaining children will receive their first communion on Saturday, Nov. 7th at 5pm and a special Mass on Sunday, Nov. 8th at 3pm. Confirmation arrangements are being made for the first 2 weekends of Advent. Fr. Tim will get permission from the Archbishop to confirm our 13 candidates who have completed their preparation.

Gazebo for our deck has been built and will be used for outdoor sales and distribution of materials after Mass.

Speakers have been installed in the balcony/loft.

The Pastoral Team is busy with funerals, baptisms which need to be set up following Covid guidelines.

5.2 Finance Committee

Finance committee met in October. The interim financial reports indicated that the church is doing ok. They are looking into doing work on the lights and fans in the church. Our long-time account, Vince Marsh, is retiring. We thank him for all his work with the Finance Committee. We have received

emails from 2 parishioners who are willing to join Finance Committee as our new accountant/bookkeeper.

6. Business arising

6.1 Pastoral Plan

The plan has been edited and the revised version is ready to be circulated to the parish via email.

Action item: PPC will consider having an AGM or meeting with committee/ministry chairs in early 2021.

6.2 Recruitment

Parishioners, Mary Dalipaj and Cheryl Khoury have been nominated for parish council. PPC will wait until after the November 12th deadline for nominations and then the positions will be filled by acclimation.

6.3 Out of the Cold Supper programs

Knox Presbyterian has openings for volunteers on the 5th Saturday of January (January 30th). Angie will take names of those who are willing to help on Jan. 30th. Those interested could also be added to their back-up list.

Centre 507 needs volunteers to make 200 sandwiches every Thursday for delivery on Fridays. A team or ministry from the parish would be needed. The parish could offset some of the cost of sandwich ingredients through donations to the parish for this ministry. This volunteer opportunity will be presented to the parish and those interested will contact the office. PPC should try to meet this need if volunteer support can be found.

Action item: Angie will contact Centre 507 for budget information and the length of the commitment.

7. New business

7.1 Advent and Christmas

Activities: Zoom social gathering, virtual Christmas pageant

Pastoral team will discuss Christmas Masses including a Liturgy of the Word via Zoom. Liturgy committee meets on November 12th.

8. For information: Collections for St. Vincent de Paul Society on Nov. 7/8 and Development and Peace on Nov. 14/15.

9. Communications arising: Pastoral Plan will be emailed to the parish.

10. Future meetings: December 3rd at 7pm, no meeting in January, and February 4th at 7pm.

Adjourned at 8:30pm