

## FINANCE COUNCIL MINUTES

June 2, 2020

**Present:** Rev. Jazdzewski, John Durtschi, Sarah Gordee and Sharon Sliwka. Dan Marx was absent. Denise Ives and Steve Edge were also in attendance. Meeting held via teleconference.

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 PM by Rev. Jazdzewski and began with an opening prayer and introductions to potential Finance Council members, Denise Ives and Steve Edge.

**Financial Statements:** May financial statements were reviewed by the Finance Council. Adult Envelope collections are down, due to the suspension of Mass. Sarah Gordee asked when weekend Mass will begin. Father Jazdzewski advised he anticipates Mass to begin June 14. With lower participation expected, the number of Masses may be scaled back to two for the time being. Sarah expressed the importance of keeping the Saturday Mass in place. John Durtschi agreed it is important to get back to the normal Mass schedule as soon as possible – for the Parish to continue operating within a balanced budget and have sufficient cash flow to cover bills.

With Paycheck Protection Plan funding of \$41,700 in April and a Regis Subsidy reduction of \$20,084, the current fiscal year should end within budget, even with the decrease in contributions due to the pandemic limitations. Currently, \$11,375 will need to be paid from Parish daily operating funds to cover the DAA shortfall. Payment is due at the diocesan office in mid-June.

**Buildings & Grounds:** The bathroom updates at Sacred Heart Church are almost complete. A few small items remain, including painting. A majority cost for this project was graciously paid for by a parishioner. The Council expressed gratitude for this kind action.

The Parish received formal approval from Bishop Callahan to demolish the St Patrick School building. Other ongoing projects include: Condensation line replacement at Sacred Heart Church, \$3,100; St Patrick Rectory hot water register leak, \$2,100; Moving kitchen equipment from St Patrick campus to Sacred Heart Church, \$4,250 (est). Sarah Gordee recommended holding off on some of these projects, due to the interruption in parishioner envelope contributions. John Durtschi recommended the projects be done in June, prior to the new fiscal year.

Bells at both churches were inspected and need repairs. Costs are \$2,200 for St Patrick Church and \$9,575 for Sacred Heart Church. A request is being sent to all parishioners asking for donations to cover the cost for bell repairs.

**Annual Budget:** The 2020-2021 Parish draft budget was reviewed in detail. Concerns were raised about a potential decrease in Bingo support due to COVID-19 suspensions. A reduction from \$24,000 to \$17,000 from the previous budget was agreed upon. Other items were

discussed and adjusted as needed. A balanced budget for 2020-2021 was unanimously approved by the Finance Council.

**Other Items:** The Finance Council was updated on a conference call between Sarah Gordee, Sharon Sliwka and Steve Lindberg from Mayo Health Systems, held earlier that day. The Parish presented Steve with lease terms for the St Patrick parking lot. With changes due to COVID-19, Steve expressed some uncertainty of the amount of parking spaces they may need. He will review the Parish's offer with his Board and expects to respond within a week.

Steve Edge and Denise Ives were invited to join the Finance Council.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:57 PM with a closing prayer.