



**Pastoral Council Regular Meeting  
Teleconference  
April 21, 2020**

**Present:** Fr. Dan Saunders, Fr. Matthew Jacob, Susan Arensmeier, Doug Borys, MaryElise Cervelli, John Clark, James DeGuire, Jim Karolewicz, Jim Kochan, David Kriete, Cathy Liska, Monica Misey, Tom Pranica, Joe Russell, Ken Sosnowski, Jon VanDrise

- I. Opening Prayer – the meeting began at 7:05 PM with a prayer led by Fr. Dan.
  
- II. Discussion Items
  - a. Approval of April 14 Meeting Minutes – a motion to approve the minutes was made by Cathy and seconded by Doug. The motion passed unanimously.
  - b. Joe provided updates on several items of note since last week’s meeting.
    - Governor Evers extended stay at home restrictions through May 26<sup>th</sup>.
    - There is no change in the restriction regarding in person mass attendance. Mass will continue to be available via Live Stream on Sunday at 10:00 AM.
    - Lumen Christi school will be closed for the rest of the semester.
    - An electronic edition of the Catholic Herald is available at no additional cost.
  - c. Status Check with attendees:
    - Fr. Dan – clean-up of the office and house has been completed in preparation for Fr. Matthew’s occupancy. Parishioners have expressed appreciation for the calls that have been made to check on their status and offer support.
    - Fr. Matthew – Fr. Matthew’s sister in London is recovering from the Covid-19 virus. Others working with his sister have also been affected, with three individuals remaining hospitalized. Please keep all of them in your prayers.
    - Summary of comments from other attendees – support of families, friends, co-workers and others continues. Members are thankful for their blessings and are working to focus on how to best help others as they adjust to their situations.
  - d. Annual Report – Jim Karolewicz suggested expansion of the annual report to include sections for key ministries summarizing the objectives for the year, accomplishments, challenges to be addressed and plans for the future. Doing so would allow the work of the ministries to be highlighted and hopefully encourage additional participation. John supported the concept and indicated he would mention to Jane Bartlett. Jim will follow-up with Jane and work with the various liaisons to get collateral prepared for review prior to publishing. The annual report has been historically published in September.
  - e. Human Concerns – Cathy provided the following update:
    - St. Vincent de Paul raised \$3,500 to be donated to south side parishes operating food pantries.
    - St. Hyacinth has 800 bags of non-perishable food awaiting distribution pending a determination of how to safely do so.
    - The Working Center for Families in Ecuador is working to serve 106 families and would appreciate support from the parish.
    - Due to the current restrictions, Family Promise is hosting families at the Chalet Motel and would appreciate financial support to offset additional costs.
    - Next meeting will be held on April 28.
  - f. Catholic Formation – Susan provided the following update:
    - Sacramental Preparation - preparation for Confirmation and First Eucharist continues through online videos and assignments. Confirmation interviews are going on through Zoom meetings



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with two staff members present to satisfy Safeguarding guidelines. Sacramental updates occur via Flocknote at 4pm on Tuesdays and age specific instruction/communication occurs on Fridays at 2pm. Videos and instruction for each week are on the website under lifelong formation/weekly formation lessons.

- Catholic Formation Classes - our formation classes are complete this week, but additional formation will continue to be available for those seeking enrichment. Middle school has had many online activities via Zoom chats, Cahoot meetings and Netflix parties. Nikki has been very creative in engaging students. Hannah, Amy and Nikki are combining their knowledge to engage in thoughtful and creative activities and programs for the students. Kate is also doing videos for instruction and Storytimes for the younger children online. She is also doing Storytime and prayer for children throughout the city on Thursday evenings at 6pm as a live stream event. Amy is helping with music and Fr. Dan helped on the first edition last week. She will continue the live stream and is planning to restart children's liturgy of the word when Masses begin again. Jon and Tina continue their young adult group on Thursdays and Jon has begun a series called "5 Questions" on Facebook. His guests to date have been Catherine Orr and Amy Kroll. Jon is also facilitating the Communications committee as well as countless meetings with CF and parish groups.

There is no word on when the sacraments will be celebrated but we will be ready when we receive word.

- g. Finance – John provided the following update:
  - E & O in April is running \$20-30,000 behind budget
  - Next FY budget is in process
  - Received an unsolicited \$50,000 donation toward the Building project
  - Fr. Dan noted we are very blessed as a parish and asked attendees to think about how we can help others who are less fortunate
- h. The next Pastoral Council Meeting will be held via teleconference on **Tuesday, April 28 @ 7:00 PM.**

III. The meeting closed at 7:55 PM with a prayer led by Fr. Matthew.

Respectfully submitted by Jim Karolewicz