



**Pastoral Council Meeting  
Teleconference  
July 28, 2020**

**Present:** Fr. Matthew Jacob, Fr. Stephen Buting, Susan Arensmeier, John Clark, Jim Karolewicz, Jim Kochan, David Kriete, Cathy Liska, Monica Misey, Tom Pranica, Joe Russell

- I. Opening Prayer – the meeting began at 7:02 PM with a prayer led by Fr. Stephen.
  
- II. Discussion Items
  - a. Approval of July 14 Meeting Minutes – a motion to approve the minutes was made by Susan and seconded by Monica. The motion passed unanimously.
  - b. Catholic Formation – Susan provided the following updates:
    - Draft working plan is underway for 515 students
    - Formation activities will occur from October 4<sup>th</sup> through April 25<sup>th</sup>
    - Plan is to meet in person as often as possible. A hybrid approach will be used. Meetings will occur twice per month in person, with the third session being a family activity to be completed at home. Meetings times are shown below:
      - 4K/5K – during 9:00 AM Sunday Mass
      - First through Eighth Grades – two options will be available: Sunday from 10:15 – 11:15 AM or Monday after school from 4:45 – 5:45 PM
      - High School – two options will be available: Sunday or Wednesday evening from 6:00 – 7:30 PM; masks will be requested for in-person sessions
    - Movie and Trivia Nights have been well received. Nikki D’Cruz will be continuing these activities in August.
  - c. Finance - John provided the updates below.
    - The final balance of the building loan is \$1.3 million. The duration of the loan is 24 years, however, the plan is to repay the loan ahead of this timeframe.
    - Fiscal year 2019-2020 ended with a small surplus of \$5,500.
    - A phone system update is being planned.
  - d. Human Concerns – Monica and Cathy provided the following outreach updates:
    - Immigration, race relations and social justice outreach are being added as activities of the commission.
    - St. Hyacinth’s Food Pantry served 600 people last week
    - Virginia Lee, the year-long volunteer for the Working Center for Families, has raised more than \$1,000 to support her work in Ecuador.
  - e. Building and Grounds – James DeGuire is working with the Parish Office to create a bulletin announcement seeking volunteers to participate in a Building and Grounds committee.
  - f. Prayer and Worship – the next meeting will be held on August 13<sup>th</sup>.
  - g. Annual Report – Jim Karolewicz reviewed the progress made to date and asked for suggestions on the content and format.
    - Fr. Matthew had two suggestions. First, include a timeline of key events in the history of the parish at the bottom of the cover page. Second, that the theme of the report reflect faith and hope. He indicated he wanted to focus future activities on Lumen Christi being “One Family Sharing the Love and Light of Christ”.
    - Monica suggested the imagery used within the report should support a theme of faith in our future.



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- John suggested a theme aligned with Corinthians passage of “Many Parts, One Body.”
- Cathy suggested imagery from the sanctuary (e.g., the sanctuary windows) be incorporated.

Jim thanked everyone for their input and will continue to keep the Council informed as work continues. The plan remains to publish the report via the parish website and hard copy in September.

h. Pastoral Update

- Fr. Stephen has been reading the last 18 months of bulletins to orient himself to the parish.
  - The initial First Communion events occurred last week and will continue for the next two weeks. Confirmation will occur next month.
  - Interviews of two good candidates occurred today for the open Communications Coordinator position.
  - A new Maintenance Custodian has been hired.
- i. The next Pastoral Council Meeting will be held via teleconference on **Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 PM.**

III. The meeting closed at 8:05 PM with a prayer led by David.

Respectfully submitted by Jim Karolewicz