

Conference call of Jesus Caritas National Council

April 27, 2021 4 pm EST (3 pm Central, 2 pm Mountain, 1 pm Pacific)

On the line: +Don Hanchon, Bob Amundsen, John Jacquel, Tom McCormick, Joe Greeley, Ron Belisle, Alex Trejo, Hap Ragan, and Greg Pawlowski. Opening Prayer was led by Joe at :03, with thanks and praise to God, to commend the dead, healing for the sick, and to bless our ministries.

- 1. Review of Life** – Bob has been fairly busy, despite being retired, but his left knee needs replacement (when? wedding & funerals). John grateful he wasn't selected as juror for a murder trial - four days of testimony & arguments with 3 days of deliberations ending in a mistrial. Joe fell and hit his head (two shiners) (no photos, please) and filled in for another priest realizing 1) he enjoys parish work and 2) is glad he's not still in it full-time. Alex working with Marriage Encounter couples, including one emergency wedding (and was in on the cancer examination). +Don got reprieve on colonoscopy and looking forward to "Family of Parishes" retreat coming in May. Tom anointed a 28/29-year-old lady with cancer – "it was a gift." Ron finished "Church Interrupted" book and looking forward to 1) priest days and 2) scripture classes – both on Zoom. Hap opened the church early one morning – a firefighter who needed to talk – she had a tough night. He also celebrated Easter morning Mass on the pier – 400 people! Greg's assignment is to stay through next year (Jules Tverdy retiring) and is preparing a Baccalaureate address.
- 2. International / Pan American news** – Survey was sent (most have responded). Please get that back to Joe. Fernando Tapia says "Hola!" and will review survey results next Wednesday, as they await news of Charles' canonization date. (We might hear May 3)
- 3. July 2021 National Assembly** – Hope to get Fernando Tapia to speak to us Tuesday of that week (Zoom). Who can vote? We will open to virtual participation, identifying candidates by Tuesday evening (we would get broader representation from across country) and finalize discernment Thursday evening after Desert Day – perhaps with Fernando as part of this process. "Secret Ballot" would be conducted by Joe Greeley (via e-mail – he would keep the voters' identity confidential), using a new account such as jcvote@gmail.com. +Don will get us a tech person from Detroit to help.
- 4. E-mail Blast** – Ready to go out tomorrow. Hopefully, we will surface some candidates for National Responsible. We will likely need to recruit.
- 5. Becoming Brothers** – next issue will have Assembly results and hopefully Brother Charles' canonization info. Ron's vision is to do regional newsletter for Bishop's Region XII. Bob expressed interest in doing one for Regions X, XIII (plus or minus Utah).
- 6. Other** – Lenny Tighe interested in organizing a pilgrimage (to Rome?). It's a good idea on paper – perhaps we could explore others to organize (Joe has a man we could trust) if/when we can travel internationally.
- 7. Next meeting** – May 18th – an hour earlier! (3 PM Eastern / / 12 PM Pacific)
- 8. Prayer of Abandonment** led by Tom at :57.

Respectfully submitted: John Jacquel