

***Ss. Mary & Mathias Parish Council Minutes***

***June 22, 2020 via ZOOM – Draft MINUTES***

**Present:** Fr. Troy Richmond, Fr. Hai Dinh, Sister Cheryl Demmer, Annie Almeida, Tommy Fallon, Tim Peters, Deacon Dennis McDonald, Judd Anderson, Linda Depuydt, Cara Fuller, Laura Custus, Robin Edwards, Jennifer Radar, Frank Kelly, Konrad Wilke, Ben Neitzel and Laurie Ludman

**Guests:** Father Chris Weber, Michelle Almindinger, Jaimie Leza and Isabel Morales

**Absent:** Refugio Cenicerros

**Opening Prayer:** Fr. Troy

Laurie Ludman called the meeting to order. Introductions were made to all of our guests and of all the members present.

Review the draft of May's minutes: Laurie Ludman presented May 2020 minutes for review. Motion to approve as written Cara Fuller, seconded by Deacon Dennis McDonald. Minutes were approved as written by all present.

**Administrative Reports**

Pastor's Report:

Fr. Troy discussed the following:

- Phase 2 Reopening - tonight was the first public mass there were over 60 people in attendance tonight. Pews are labeled A B C tonight the communion procession was a little confusing.
- People are RSVP'ing on the website.
- There is a need for ushers
- Father indicated he will be doing a YouTube video tomorrow to help guide parishioners on the changes at Mass
- Father shared that they are in the S's of contacting parishioners
- Father shared his love for serving our Parish the last 6 years.

Fr. Hai discussed the following:

- He indicated that he continues to work with Father Troy and the changes with mass.
- Father Hai has went to see parishioners at homes, he has anointed them and brought them Holy Communion
- He has also made phone calls to Parishioners at nursing homes as they will not allow visitors at this time
- Father Hai is also working with Father Chris on the transition plan

**Ministry, Commission, Committee Activity Report Additions and Call to Action**

Finance Council/Business Manager

Reports provided

- The budget was approved by the finance council.
- Question if the land has been sold. It has not it has not been listed. What was published is in regard to the Pine street house.

Faith Formation Ministry (Board of Education/Youth Minister)

Report provided

- Tommy shared that the Holy Fire Conference was cancelled and the golf outing at Geneva is also cancelled
- Sister shared that we will be waiting for Phase 3 before do 1<sup>st</sup> Communion, Confirmation and RCIA

- Sister has gone through the messenger report and gone through the directory as well – the directory is more up to date - have phone numbers but not email – Sister shared that she identified 15 parionerioners who were on the list who have passed away so she removed their names
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#### Music Liturgy

Report provided

- Annie has been working on a plan to rotate the pews for masses. Annie shared that tonight there were 61 people at mass and only 5 used hand sanitizer on the way in. It was discussed that maybe they had their own that they used at the pew.
- There are 80 spots for mass – Gannon Hall for overflow and there can be about 20 people there.
- People need to sign up on genius or call the Parish office – Call Maria or email Annie and she will get people signed up
- There was parish mailing that went out Friday
- Planning logistics for church reopening – not getting great results for volunteers
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#### Hispanic Committee

No report

#### Church and Family Life Ministry (Hospitality and Relationships)

No report

#### Liturgy Committee

No report

#### Social Action Committee

No written report

- Has been inactive during the pandemic but are scheduled to host MCSA loaves and fishes this Saturday
- Commission is going to meet this week to reactivate

#### Stewardship Committee

No written report

- There has been no meetings the first few months recently had a Zoom meeting
- Vision 2020 is at a standstill – may become vision 2021

#### Building and Grounds

Jim Cotrell emailed that he has no updates

#### Vision 20/20

No report

#### School Report

- Ben shared that they are continuing to work on plans for school this fall with direction from the State of Iowa Department of Education.

#### **Old Business (Current Initiatives/Un-finished Business)**

A. Parish Council Selection Committee –

- Leadership next year will be: President: Cara Fuller, Vice President: Isabel Morales and Secretary: Laurie Ludman
- B. Cara led a short discussion on next steps for the retreat
  - Father Troy preached regarding the new Mission and Vision Statement in an effort to make it Public – it was very good
  - The statement is also read during the announcements at all masses
  - We have three big changes occurring in our Parish.
    1. Covid and how masses will be done
    2. A new Pastor
    3. New mission and vision
  - Discussed that we need to give a strong message of our Mission and Vision
  - We need to continue to Develop and define the Guiding Values – we will work on this in the Fall
  - Priorities previously identified
    1. Having cultural and intergenerational leadership around the table
    2. Communication and Outreach
    3. Community Building Opportunities
    4. Discipleship
    5. Safety

#### **New Business**

- Father Chris asked for patience during this unusual circumstance and transition
- Father Chris will be doing Mass at 7:00 AM on July 1<sup>st</sup> Father Chris indicated that he will be moving in to the Rectory on July 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Thanked Robin Edwards and Tim Peters for serving on the Parish Council
- Thanked new members for attending as guests
- Thanked Father Troy for all of his service to our Parish

No July Meeting

Next meeting Monday August 24th at 6:30 PM at Gannon Hall if able or otherwise it will occur via Zoom

Laurie Ludman adjourned the meeting

Closing Prayer: Father Hai

Respectfully submitted, Laurie Ludman

July 19, 2020