

SUMMARY OF VIRTUAL PARISH COUNCIL ADVISORY MEETING ON APRIL 4, 2020

ATTENDEES: Father Rozman, Father Sahd, Deacon Paruso, Dave Schmidt (Chair), Michelle Serafin (Vice Chair), Gary Scicchitano, Dave Sheranko, Jen Erskine, Bill Alward, Rudy Geisler, Sean Matthews, Tony Devlin, Bob Flaherty, Mary Vukelich, Terri Rosenstein, Ginny Stack. Council Member, Rose Baker was not in attendance and Non-Member Barbara Talarico took minutes for the Council.

Call to Order: Dave Schmidt called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. The meeting was held via the zoom video app and opened with prayers for all those affected by the COVID 19 epidemic.

Clergy and Senior Leadership Team Updates: Father Rozman shared the Easter and Holy Week Schedule and discussed the fact that the Bishop has placed the sacraments on hold for the time being. To mitigate the “stay at home” order, he reminded all about the social media outlets that are being utilized so that the faithful, the students, the homebound, and the elderly can stay in contact. Parishioners are encouraged to subscribe to our channels on both YouTube and Facebook. MYPARISH APP is also being utilized. Father also explained that Masses are being “livestreamed” from Brindle Hall instead of the Church due to an issue with the Wi-Fi signal. In addition to the social media outreach, he also stated that volunteers have been reaching out via telephone and email to approximately 750 households consisting of home-bound and elderly parishioners.

Parish Communication Processes: The Parish Advisory Council will be sharing more frequent and regular contact with the congregation through quarterly bulletin messages. Their email account has been added to the front page of the bulletin and all are encouraged to share their questions or concerns. Revisions to the By-laws were suggested to clarify the process by which church members can attend PAC meetings. It was also decided that “summaries” of the PAC meetings would be published on the Parish website as opposed to the actual minutes. The principal reason for this being the need to maintain confidentiality.

New Business: It was announced that nominations for Chair and Vice-Chair will be taken at the May meeting with elections being held in June provided a quorum is present. Elections will be done by written ballot. The term for the new officers will commence on July 1, 2020.

Next Meeting: May 9, 2020