

**St. Cornelius Church
Parish Pastoral Council**

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

Date: April 4, 2020 (10:00 AM Via ZOOM)

Topic	Discussion/Summary	Action/Follow-Up				
Opening Prayer	Msgr. Diamond					
Prior Meetings And Minutes	Last Meeting: February 13, 2020; Minutes to be reviewed upon reinstatement of regular meetings. The monthly March 18, 2020 planned monthly meeting was canceled.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Future regular monthly meetings remain suspended at this time, consistent with Archdiocesan/Parish direction and compliance with Federal/State COVID-19 pandemic-related orders and guidelines. 				
Pastor & Parish Business Manager David Bauer's Remarks	<p>Msgr. Diamond opened the Special Meeting with a statement outlining our Parish School's support, actions taken over time, and its condition, from his 2017 arrival to present date. Continued enrollment decreases have resulted in only 68 Kindergarten-8th Grade students being registered for the 2020-21 school year.</p> <p>Parish review indicates continued operation of our School, apart from major enrollment changes, poses a serious threat to continued Parish viability. David Bauer provided the current and projected financial condition of the Parish Church and School, including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish financial/operational needs and remaining assets; • Current/projected income/debt maintenance; • Loss of prior advantageous borrowing environment; • Current and projected inability of School to meet its financially self-sustaining enrollment level. • Status of current and projected School financial aid programs; • Sharp decrease in Parish overall financial resources; and, • Projected Y/E June 2020 Parish/School financial deficit (\$226,000) <p>The Pastor outlined four-corners of a preliminary plan for the upcoming Parish School year, invited/answered questions, and requested Council member input. Parish recommendations will be reviewed with Archdiocesan leaders on April 15.</p> <p>The "Four Corners" of Parish Childhood Education Changes- St. Cornelius Preliminary Plan (As of April 4, 2020)</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;">Continue Pre-K Ages 3/4 (2020-2021)</td> <td style="padding: 5px;">End Grades K-8 (June 2020)</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;">Maintain Early Childhood Religious Education (PREP)</td> <td style="padding: 5px;">Tuition Aid Support Option For Current K-8 Students</td> </tr> </table>	Continue Pre-K Ages 3/4 (2020-2021)	End Grades K-8 (June 2020)	Maintain Early Childhood Religious Education (PREP)	Tuition Aid Support Option For Current K-8 Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) member questions were answered and preliminary plan input was given to the Pastor. Attending Council members expressed support for the current preliminary plan. ➤ PPC members were asked to maintain- without exception- all information/discussion in total confidence at this time. Failure to do so will result in specifically-discussed, adverse Parish consequences prior to final determinations and approvals of plans. ➤ Pastor to hold consultative meetings with additional Parish leaders to share information, answer questions, and solicit preliminary plan input: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Financial Council (April 5) • School Principal (April 9) • Board of Limited Jurisdiction (April 13) ➤ Pastor to meet with the Archbishop on April 15, to provide reports and recommendation.
Continue Pre-K Ages 3/4 (2020-2021)	End Grades K-8 (June 2020)					
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	<p>Preliminary Plan Summary (As of April 4, 2020)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>End School Grades K-8</u>– Effective June 2020, parish school grades will end. Currently-enrolled students will move to another Catholic, private or public school with the 2020-2021 school year. 2. <u>Tuition Aid Support Option</u> - Current K-8 students whose families are <i>registered with and active</i> in our Parish will have the option to receive \$1,000 per school year (through Grade 8) toward tuition, if in 2020-21 they continue their education at another Archdiocese of Philadelphia parish school. 3. <u>Continue Pre-K (Ages 3/4)</u>- For the 2020-2021 school year, and subject to future review, Pre-Kindergarten for Ages 3 &4 will continue to be offered at St. Cornelius. 4. <u>Maintain Early Childhood Religious Education</u>- The Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) will continue to help parents teach the Catholic faith to their children. The program will still enroll children in grades 1-7 who attend a non-Catholic school. 	
Closing Prayer	Msgr. Diamond	

SAINT CORNELIUS CHURCH

Jon Lippard

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Secretary - Parish Pastoral Council

Present	Present	Absent
Msgr. Diamond	Kevin Hicks	Craig Sanders
Kathy Carney	Jon Lippard	Deacon Todor
Lisa Daughen	Deacon Morris	-
Franca Fletcher	Joanne Morris	-
Agnes Arkus	David Bauer	-
Chris Fahey	Sr. Deacon Wirth	-
Peter Kosciwicz	-	-