

**St. Cornelius Church
Parish Pastoral Council**

Meeting Minutes

Date: Saturday, March 20, 2021 (9:00 AM)

Remote Via Zoom

Topic	Discussion/Summary	Action/Follow-Up
Opening Prayer	Msgr. Diamond	
Prior Minutes	Meeting minutes of February 20, 2021 approved.	➤ Next Meeting: Saturday, April 24, 2021 (9:00 AM) Remotely Via Zoom.
Pastor's Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <u>Fair Trade Sale</u> – In support of Catholic Relief Services, the sale will be held in the vestibule this weekend following most Masses. St. Cornelius is most fortunate to maintain a viable and impactful CRS chapter, as a majority are organized outside of local parishes. 	
Communication-Flocknote, Text Messages, PDS (Discussion)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Further cost information for Flocknotes and related communications developed since February 2021: <u>Engage Program</u> - \$2,364 Annual Cost (\$1974 YR 1) <u>Flocknotes</u> - \$197/Month <u>Communications Tool</u> - \$2,000 Initial Outlay <u>Total Annual Cost</u> – Approx. \$5,000 ➤ <u>Additional Considerations</u> - Less than 50% of all parishioners receive parish Email at this time. No line item exists within the current budget. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Council Determination: Tools are costly and tabled for a one-year period. Committed to a 2022 reevaluation in a timely fashion. ➤ <u>Flocknote Web Site Reference:</u> Flocknote Review, Pricing & Features SoftwarePundit
Finances	<p><u>Cash & Investment Balances</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Operating Cash</u>- \$430,000 • <u>Catholic Foundation (CFGP)</u> - \$79,000 • Parish security system needs to be improved and expanded on the campus. 	<p><u>Parish Security System –</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Building and Grounds Committee approved installation a new Burglar Alarm security system, costs (\$45,000) paid from parish CFGP account. ➤ Work will begin in six (6) weeks, and completed in phases, as follows: Church Building > School Building > PLC Building > Rectory Building.
Video Discussion: "What if They Don't Come Back?" (Lead: Lisa D)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Video sent a few weeks ago, addressed to Catholic leadership, was "very powerful". ➤ It is recognized that online/virtual formats have engaged the faithful to a certain extent. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Message – Think "outside the box" to attract and retain people. ➤ <u>Pastor's Remarks</u> – "Being present" is important. (Ex. Confirmation). One possible outcome is an overall smaller but stronger church.
Archdiocesan Arise Webinar Discussion – Holy Week/Easter (Lead: Lisa D)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Reviewed highlights of Webinar led by Father Gill – Office of Divine Worship (ODW). Archdiocese maintains being in church is the safest place to be. ➤ Discussed highlights of Liturgical Directives (ODW) issued March 10, 2021. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Our planned parish observances for celebration of Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, The Sacred Paschal Triduum, and Easter Time align with Office of Divine Worship directives: Palm-Sunday-the-Triduum-and-Easter-Time-3-10-211-1.pdf (archphila.org)

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Holy Family Portico-Bricks/Sales (Update)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Paver installation area is now outlined in pink. ➤ The parish still plans to make pavers available 2-3 times per year, especially for memorials. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Once the installation is complete, a Special Mass and great celebration will be held.
Year of Saint Joseph (Agnes Arkus)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish Solemn Mass observing the Solemnity of St. Joseph on March 19th (7:30) was well-attended. • Our parish <i>Consecration to St. Joseph</i> is following the book <i>Consecration to St. Joseph: The Wonders of Our Spiritual Father</i>. • Weekly discussion group sessions are being held with parishioners on Monday evenings (6+ people) and Tuesday mornings (20+ people) via Zoom. Sessions began Monday, March 29 & are continuing weekly, concluding Saturday, May 1. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <u>Parish Year of Saint Joseph Observance Follows -</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Archdiocesan Observance of the Year of St Joseph (Web Site: http://archphila.org/joseph/) • Archdiocesan "Three Pillars" To Observance (1//10/21) ➤ The possibility of a "pilgrimage" to one or another St. Joseph church in Philadelphia was initially discussed. Feasibility and interest will receive further evaluation & consideration.
Lenten/Easter Schedule & Penance Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <u>Lenten/Easter Schedule</u> developed in consultation with parish Liturgy Committee & in accordance with Archdiocesan ODW Guidance (3/10/21). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <u>Penance Services</u>: Scheduled for Tuesday 3/30 (11:00 AM & 7:00 PM). ➤ Council members will help Pastor communicate Penance services now have liturgical aspects eliminated, allowing individual confessions to proceed promptly. This format will continue & reduce service length. ➤ <u>Sacred Triduum</u>: Masses will follow the usual structure. There are no baptisms, nor are any new members being received at Vigil Mass.
The Garden	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A parish committee (6-7 people) is formed. Farmer Haskell gave valuable input. ➤ Landscaper is starting work on the soil as land is now marked out. ➤ Post & rail fencing (7'6") is on order and irrigation is being installed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Parishioner individual/family involvement is welcome and needed, especially for future weeding/harvesting. ➤ Deacon Todor suggested a "Project Manager Gardener" be appointed to organize & oversee Committee/parishioner activities.
New Business	None	
Closing Prayer	Msgr. Diamond	

SAINT CORNELIUS CHURCH

Jon Lippard

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Secretary - Parish Pastoral Council

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