

Corpus Christi Parish Pastoral Council

Zoom Meeting Minutes for February 18, 2021

Members Present: Fr. Patrick, C. Livingston-Long, H. McClarty, E. O'Neill, A. Glinz, C. Lawrence, V. Berry, K. Procter, T. Anderson, J. Black,

Members Absent: Brenda M., Paul M., H. Patterson, J. Lopez

Opening Prayer: Valerie Berry--During Black History Month let us pray for the canonization of black men and women who have led saintly lives.

Zoom Meeting was called to open at 7:04 by C. Livingston-Long

Approval of Agenda: Approved: All

Approval of October Meeting Minutes: Motioned: E. O'Neill, Seconded: H. McClarty

Approved: ALL

Standing Reports:

Trinity Vicariate: No report.

Finance Council: Homer McClarty

The Finance Committee met on 2-16-21. Collections are down, but because of the various grants we are breaking even. Next year we cannot rely on the grants or the PPP loan which is not yet fully forgiven. We are awaiting word from Chase Bank. We also may not be eligible for the next round of PPP which is being restructured by the government. April's budget review may mean a reduction in staff to acquire a balanced budget.

We have purchased four more air purifier units for the church and rectory. We are also more optimistic about increasing church attendance because of the covid vaccine.

Leadership Team:

Refreshing the various commission's communications by implementing:

1. A standard format for minutes
2. A standard for what is presented to the council
3. A standard for how the council will reply to the request of the commission

This will help us be a strong unit with the AOD as we enter into the Family of Parishes.

Our Thematic Goal: Fr. Patrick provided the following update:

The Leadership Team is following our new thematic goal in “Preparing for the Family of Parishes”.

Defining Objectives:

1. F.O.P. Education process
2. Clarity of each parish’s strengths/gift
3. Planning a Family Lenten Retreat
4. Getting to know other parishes in the Family
5. Investigate/experiment with parish collaborations
6. Leadership Team role/Communication

Our Standard Operating Objectives:

1. Mass attendance
2. Collections
3. A culture of Prayer
4. Operation efficiency
5. Evangelization

Family of Parishes Update: Fr. Patrick informed us that the AOD will name the moderator of the F.O.P. by the end of February. He will be the “lead” priest for the family. All priests will remain in their current parish and administration still falls to each parish and their priest. Sts. Peter & Paul, a Polish-only Masses parish, are their own identity and will not participate in the Family.

Technology Update:

Fr. Patrick reported that our video screen project is 95% complete with only the crucifix needing to be installed. The power of the computer used to live stream the services must have a stronger signal and the audio still needs improvement. Continuing use of the hand-held microphone, along with John now using two cameras to scan the entire church while video-taping, were also discussed.

New Business:

Archbishop dispensation announcement. Required attendance for Mass for the general population will begin on Saturday March 13th. Exceptions will be made for those who are elderly, afraid of contracting Covid, etc.

Round Table:

On April 14th in-person attendance will resume for various commissions.

Evangelization Committee: Trying to work on evangelizing in your own life. Living by example.

Faith Commission: Catechesis of the Good Shepherd...First Communion class has five students. Jeannette and Valerie are helping children to “fall in love” with Jesus. They are also learning to meditate on the Mass. Parents are noticing a change in their children, resting in God.

Important dates: Saturday, April 24-First Communion...Saturday, June 12-Confirmation with Bishop Henson.

G.O.F. Terrific video on the Holy Spirit -includes testimonials from parishioners. How do I get an intimate relationship with God?

Emmaus groups currently have 30 members.

Hospitality Committee: C. Lawrence: Mary Davis, the chairperson of the committee, has been in MaryCrest Manor in Livonia since January 12. Mary reported that she has secured a large outdoor tent for June 6 for an outdoor Mass and celebration of Fr. Don's 51st Anniversary as a priest. An ice cream social will follow.

Endowment/Stewardship Committee: Art Glinz: During the Stewardship Committee meeting the disbanding of the Endowment Committee was discussed and how that might be handled in the future.

Worship Commission: Paul Moore is still covering the lector calendar and lector training. A council member brought attention to parishioners who are feeling uninformed about those who are currently ill. Can it be updated more rapidly? Our Women's Support Group currently has 8 members. Could they form a “Chat Line” to share more timely occurrences of illness, surgery etc.- a “Compassionate Care Team”.

Easter Planning will take place via Zoom on March 6 @ 9:00-11:15.

COVID VACCINE UPDAT: Corpus Christ will be a Covid Vaccine Site beginning in March. More info to follow.

Closing Prayer: Father Patrick

Our next ZOOM meeting date: March 18, 2021 @ 7:00 P.M. Elaine O'Neill will lead our opening prayer.

Respectfully submitted:

Carol Lawrence

