



## PARISH MINISTRY PETALS MEETING July 8, 2020 This Meeting was conducted through Zoom



Fr. Brandon welcomed everyone to the Petal Zoom meeting and said a prayer. Fr. Brandon wanted to catch up with everyone, as it has been a while since we all gathered together.

Fr. Brandon shared some updates at St. Anne's: We have our new bronze St. Anne's statue that was installed a couple of weeks ago; everyone is welcome to come and see her. It's a great addition to our Plaza.

Fr. Brandon wanted to know how the ministries are doing during this time? Are you checking in with your ministry? Are you praying for each other?

### **Feedback:**

Pati M. with Daughters of Isabela and Eucharistic Ministers: There have been many phone calls and cards and emails to keep in contact with each other during this time. Making sure everyone is doing well.

Tony V. with Italian Catholic Federation: Italian Catholic Federation wants to put on their Polenta dinner but is on hold at the moment.

Julia B. with Adult Formation & Legion of Mary: They did some classes for the adults through the internet did not want to lose that connection with the adults. For the Legion of Mary, they have been calling each other to see what they need during this time.

Margaret Shore with the Lectors and Carmelites: At first it was difficult to find lectors for the Masses. It is all very much appreciated all the well organization for the Masses, in checking temperatures and so forth. It has felt very safe coming to church.

Gladys B. with Garden Angels: Garden Angels were able to be back in May and are able to meet because it is outside and are practicing social distancing with each other while cleaning the plaza. They have enjoyed the St. Anne's statue in the plaza.

Elisa M. with the Dust Angeles: Everyone in the Dust Angle ministry is ready and eager to come back and help keep the church clean on Fridays when they meet; let them know when it is safe to return.

Virginia S. with Carmelites: Carmelites continue to have meetings through Zoom. It was challenging but it was still nice being able to see each other and talk about our faith. It's a blessing to either attend Mass in person and or online.

Liz M. with St. Anne's School: School has ended for the year. This summer the school is working on preparing for the reopening for the next school year. There are many steps that need to be taken in order for the school to reopen in August.

Fr. Brandon thanked everyone for sharing. He has received many thanks for the phone calls from a Ministry Team member. A special thanks to Deacon Karl who has called everyone one on our data list at least once during this time. Thank you everyone for connecting with each other. Priests have been praying for our community.

### **Parish Update- Fr. Brandon:**

The process for the community to return to the church is not an easy task. Thank you to Donna and her wonderful organization skills. There were 8 training sessions on how to welcome the community back into the church. Right now, we are only allowed 100 people in the church. We are following all the guidelines from the Health Department and the Stockton Diocese.

Religious Education: Sr. Azucena has done a wonderful job transitioning along with the Catechists from in class learning to distance learning. She also has done a wonderful job preparing for the Confirmation. Had to do multiple Confirmation Masses due to the limit about of people allowed in the church. We are getting ready for our first, First Communion Mass in the fall. Registration for Religious Education is coming soon, next year Religious Education will be through Zoom.

St. Anne's School: There is a 65-page document that the school needs to follow with all the guide lines in order for the school to reopen in August. Liz and Rose have been working very hard to make sure we can open in August.

### **Fall Planning:**

Along with the 65-page document the school received, the Diocese also sent a 4 ½ page document in order to use the parish building. It is a very involved process.

Right now, we are going to pause ALL Fall Events. There will be no ministry festivities for the rest of the year. If anything changes and we are able to open then we will open with caution and inform everyone.

You can have certain types of events. We are asking to turn in a potential event proposal and we can look it over and ask the Diocese for their guide lines. We encourage creativity!

If you like to meet in the plaza, we highly recommend being 6 feet apart, wear masks, this could be possible.

Parish Office: The Parish Office is open and staff is working but we are not allowing anyone who is not a staff member come in. We are taking precautions if you would like to come and meet with a priest or any member of the Ministry Team.

Fr. Brandon thanked everyone for their financial support, he asked for all the ministries to please share with their ministries how grateful he is for their support. Collections have been strong. Thanks be to God we have not had to let any member of the Ministry Team go; everyone is still working hard during the lockdown.

Fr. Brandon thanked all the volunteers helping with the weekend Masses; without them it would not be possible to do all the Masses for the weekend.

**Fr. Brandon asked if there were any questions/ comments:**

Q: Is the Bishops Ministry Appeal being suspended?

A: Bishop has not suspended the Appeal at this time; we were able to finally receive the reports and will be in this weekend's bulletin (July 11-12). We will have 2 more collections in July for the Bishops Ministry Appeal.

**Comments:**

Kim S. wanted to share that her husband has been volunteering at the weekend Masses, they have been a blessing. As a school parent, thank you Fr. Brandon for making the school a priority of the school's safety in returning in August.

Fr. Brandon stated that his priority is all the ministries; and wants only what is safe for the church and the school. Little by little we will get back to opening more to the community.

Margaret S. said in the beginning there were less people coming to Mass and now more people are coming. It's a wonderful community and appreciate seeing the community come together during this time.

Fr. Brandon said that St. Anne's is very fortunate for your supportive community; some small parishes are having a hard time; our community is very blessed.

Jesus H. said this has been difficult times but will get through this. He is going to reach out to the music ministries and keep in touch with them.

**Final Remarks:**

Fr. Brandon asked if anyone had any thoughts to please email him. We will have an August meeting. We will stick to our normal schedule to the first Thursday of the month. As of right now we will continue to do the Petal meetings through Zoom until further notice.

Fr. Brandon encouraged everyone to enjoy their time and rest.

Fr. Brandon said a closing prayer and we all said the Our Father.