

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
April 7, 2021

Opening Prayer

Attendees: Fr. Leo, Fr. Seth, Michael Case, Lori Smith, Jim Martin, Chris Jermann, Steve Brezny, Matthew Waldman, Mike McKay, Deacon Don Poirier, Joe Reis, Katie Wohrle, Deacon Mark, Eric Finchum Deacon Jack, Bob Davis

Agenda:

1. March Minutes:
 - a. Approved
2. Reviewed Reports:
 - a. Parish Festival updates from Deacon Mark: Our contract with the ride group is no liability if we are unable to proceed due to the pandemic. Food truck vendors for larger companies are already booked however, working on contracts with smaller companies. Still searching for contact within the Diocese on festival requirements. At this time, we do not have festival chairpersons for our festival.
 - b. For comparison, Saint Margaret of Cortona is not having a festival, Saint Brendan's is moving forward as planned, and Saint Catherine's is moving to the fall.
 - c. May extend the major prize raffle past the festival to incorporate sales from the school.
 - d. Current restrictions in place by the governor should allow us to proceed with the festival however, we are not sure what will be permitted by the city.
3. Old Business:
 - a. Diaper Drive scheduled for May 1 and is turning into a major event with many local sponsors and supplies. Go to [World's Largest Diaper Drive | Bottoms Up Diaper Drive](#) for information on donating and volunteering at our parish location.
 - b. Prayer Shawl ministry is going out into the community with items they have created and donated such as to Saint Ann's and Mount Carmel and have received many words of thanks.
 - c. From the Knights, the Fish Fry's were highly successful; 3-4 meals minute an average of 500 meals a night. The last blood drive was very successful as well.
4. Strategic Planning:
 - a. Guest Deacon Don Poirier to assist us with our strategic planning. He has assisted other parishes with the same planning. We are in a great position to grow and now is a good time to evaluate options for future planning.
 - b. Deacon Mark and Jim Martin shared some prepared slides with the group. Last meeting was a discussion about the SWOT level analysis of the parish. Next will be a SWOT analysis of each committee, group, etc. Following that analysis, prioritizing, creating actions, identifying barriers, and setting a timeline are next steps. Need to carefully determine whether these actions support our mission. An update to the PPC will be provided next meeting.
 - c. Should be receiving survey results from Disciple Maker soon and will incorporate into analysis.

5. New Business:
 - a. Saint Vincent DePaul Society asked if our Parish would have a clothing and household items drive. The items would be picked up by SVDP for sale at the thrift store. Discussed whether the drive would interfere with the Parish Yard Sale. Could focus on clothing items only.
6. Father's Report:
 - a. Discuss email from Father regarding pastoral future following the pandemic. Main thought is we can't assume that things will be the same as before the pandemic. The Bishops across the state are working together on a plan to communicate a coordinated return.
 - b. Attendance for Easter Masses totaled a little over 1000. The Vigil and Sunday Masses averaged about 150 people each.

Next Meeting May 5, 2021