

# PASTORAL PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

November 24, 2020

**Present:** Jane Gehlhausen, Patty Brosmer, Van Ziegler, Fr. Eugene, Fr. Andrew, Max Verkamp, Tracie Ihle, Jason Messmer, Dan Fritch, Lynn Scheu, Moises Basilio, Mike Hagerdon, Patty Mills, & Mike Mills

**Absent:** Fr. Homero, Bridgette Bartley, Carmen Miranda, Pam Freyberger, Ben Schwenk, Yesica Miranda

**Opening Prayer** – Fr. Eugene led us in prayer

The 7:00 pm meeting was called to order by Van Ziegler.

October Meeting Minutes had been approved online.

## NEW BUSINESS:

1. **New Commission Leaders** – *Van*
  - a. Finance – Dan Fritch
  - b. Parish Spiritual Life – Tracie Ihle
  - c. Evangelization & Outreach – Lynn Scheu
  - d. Parish Community Life – Patty & Mike Mills
  - e. Latino – Yesica Miranda

## OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Update on Diocese Guidelines for Health measures** – *Father Eugene*
  - a. Christmas Mass Schedule
    - a. Reviewed the upcoming schedule. The Bishop has allowed a 2 pm Mass on December 24<sup>th</sup>.
    - b. Asking parishioners to call into the parish center or go online to reserve a spot for the Christmas Mass they plan on attending. The counts will be used to plan for the potential of overflow Masses in Kundek.
  - b. As of today, the county is in the orange category which means that outside of Mass, the parish can't have any events larger than 50 people. The status of the county is updated every Wednesday.
    - a. The activity center will be opening up in December. It will utilize the side entrance. Registrations are required.
2. **Church Renovation Update** – *Van*
  - a. Information Sessions:
    - a. Thursday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7 pm in Kundek Hall
    - b. Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup> after 9:30 am Mass. This will also be live streamed.
    - c. We will have to take into consideration current capacity limits for events.
3. **Capital Campaign Update** – *Dan*
  - a. We are confirmed with the Diocese to present the Church Design Development for the following:
    - i. Diocesan Building Committee      Wednesday, December 9, 2020
    - ii. Diocesan Finance Committee      Thursday, December 17, 2020
  - b. At the Finance Commission Meeting on Tuesday, November 17, 2020, the Parish Council approved to move forward with securing approval of the renovation project with the Diocese with a rough estimated budget of \$9.9Million and using the \$2Million we currently have in our building fund for the exterior/tuck pointing work. Jason Messmer made a motion to approve and Patty Brosmer seconded the motion. All approved.
4. **Parish Communication Plan of the new Strategic Mission** – *Van*
  - a. Have had a couple of notices in the weekly bulletin.
  - b. Also, discussed having Commission minutes sent to the Parish Council Exec Committee by the Wednesday prior to the Parish Council Meeting.
  - c. Discussed having a meeting in December to bring all of the Commission Leaders together.

## COMMISSION REPORTS:

### FINANCE: *Dan reported*

- **October Financial Review**

- Budgeted Income \$439,796
- Actual Income \$414,964
- Variance (\$24,832)

- Budgeted Expenses \$483,438
- Actual Expenses \$451,483
- Variance \$ 31,955

- **Sunday Collections**

- 2020 17 collections \$327,432 Average \$19,261
- 2019 17 collections \$354,387 Average \$20,846

- **2020 CPC Assessment \$310,085**

- Pledges received \$245,169 (79.1% of Goal)
  - Last year same time was \$219,585

- **Parish Picnic** was held on Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup>

- Grand Raffle Tickets Income \$46,727
- Turkey Tender Dinner Income \$ 5,562
- Total Net Income **\$52,289**

### PARISH SPIRITUAL LIFE: *Tracie reported*

- Bringing children in the release program to St. Joseph grounds starting in mid-November and running through Advent. This will be evaluated as long term solution as well.

### EVANGELIZATION & OUTREACH: *Lynn reported*

- Working on Respect Life activities for January. Also considering how to recognize National Migration week in Jasper.
- Angel Tree: We have over 100 families signed up with some being outside of Jasper. This year, we are focused only on Jasper families. Have raised about \$9,000. Working on getting gift cards.

### PARISH COMMUNITY LIFE: *Nothing to report*

### LATINO: *Nothing to report*

- Discussions held about how to handle Lady of Guadalupe celebration. It will be limited compared to previous years due to COVID.

### SUCCESS STORIES/OTHER BUSINESS

- The latest USDA distribution was cancelled.
- The Evansville Philharmonic event is now tentative due to COVID restrictions. A final decision will be made at a time closer to the date.
- Live streaming of Mass has started. A couple of Funeral Masses have also been streamed.
- Moises comforted his elderly neighbor when he was ill.
- Fr. Andrew's online sign up for Angel Tree is working well.

**Closing Prayer:** Fr. Andrew led us in prayer.

The next meeting will be **January 26, 2021 at 7:00 pm** in Kundek Hall.

**Submitted by:** Max Verkamp