

Date: January 20, 2021

Subject: Holy Spirit Church Parish Council

In Attendance: Father Anthony Dill, Kate Reed (Chair), Janet Parks(Virtual), Jeffrey Pallozzi (Secretary), John Ciardullo, Ron Lay (Virtual), Susan Kelly-Dreiss, Marc Frailey (Finance Chair - Virtual) Pat DiNunzio, Carla Christy-Gallo

Excused Absence: NA

Minutes:

- Opened with a Prayer – John Ciardullo
- Finance Report (Marc)
 - Things are in good shape. Income is in line with current budget.
 - Both online giving and mail donations have been steady.
 - For Christmas we budgeted \$27K+ and received ~\$21K to date
 - DAC ends Jan 31, 2021. Shortfall currently at \$23K
 - DAC assessment for 2021 due soon
 - Obtaining bids for window replacement and pavilion
 - Starting budget process for 2021-2022 as fiscal year ends June 30th
 - Janet: Advised that ministries should have received a communication regarding budgeting for ministries
- Review/edit/approve November 2020 minutes
 - **Motion:** Motion to pass Nov 2020 meeting minutes subject to revisions put forth by Susan and seconded by Pat. Motion passed by the council.
- Ministry Reports Comments/Updates
 - Pat: Under Caring Ministry Add Patty Jones and her mother, Mary Hartman
- Discuss Council thoughts on Youth Ministry and Young Adults
 - Father: What efforts should we be making and how much of a priority it should be?
 - Events for Junior Youth Ministry has good participation with the Burns coordinating but middle school and high school activities have seen minimal participation during Covid
 - Father considering a stipend for college student to put together a plan and organize an activity for middle & high school students as well as starting a program for young adults (21-40 yrs of age). Rotating between fun events and service events like soup kitchen/caring cupboard.

- Janet: 2PM outside= 188 attendance(80 under the tent; 108 in cars)/ 3:30PM outside= 113attendance (64 under the text; 49 in cars), 5:30PM = 106 attendance, Midnight = 74 attendance, Christmas Day = 81 attendance. Total for all Masses 562 (33% of last year) which for Covid, is not bad.
- People liked the outdoor mass and thanked Father for making this available.
- Year of St Joseph
 - Janet: Should we consider offering some opportunity to acknowledge or learn about St Joseph
 - Examples include Prayer of St. Joseph after the rosary, a petition, monthly educational forum to learn about St. Joseph, special mass, etc. Feast Day is 3/19/21. Seeking suggestions or feedback.
 - No specific direction from the diocese. Did we do some independent research?
 - John: Is this going to be an annual routine based on Saint that the pope honors in the calendar year. Do we have suggestions for an organizer? Can we participate in solidarity with the church quarterly?
 - Pat: Consider putting prayer up on the screen for people to recite at mass
 - Carla: Have Prep prepare art material and/or acknowledgement activity. Consider exposing the new St Joseph statue on the altar or taking the existing statue down to bring attention to St Joseph
 - Father: We can do prayer cards, we can add specific prayers to St Joseph open to suggestions from the Parish Council. Focus on March activity when feast day is
 - Kate: Asked Carla to speak to Dan Colon about engaging Prep for art and have Pat work with Chris/Janet/Father to arrange the St Joseph statue on a pedestal definitely in March for the feast day and possibly each quarter. Engage the donor to confirm there are no concerns.
- Parish Council Member Solicitation
 - Kate:Solicitation form went into the bulletin last weekend. Father to address in this week's mass.
 - Ron, Kate, Pat and Jeff are at the end of their 4-year term
 - Hope is to have more nominations so we would vote on this as a church
 - Parish will have in church in pew voting March 6 and 7th and results will be shared April 10th and 11th
 - Looking for diverse council that is age 18+
 - Virtual attendance is available

- **Conclusion:** Meeting adjourned with prayer.

Next meeting April 14, 2021