

Present: Fr. Sauer, Terry Evans, Cheryl Peterson, Gene Simon, Mary Wilson, Sandy Strand, & Jackie Evans.

Call to Order & Prayer: 6:30 PM via Zoom

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Mary & seconded by Cheryl to approve November 2019 minutes. Approved.

Pastor Update:

- New Pastor assignments will take place July 1, 2020. Fr. Sauer will be going to Pax Christi Parish in Rochester and Fr. Swamanatha will be coming to Sacred Heart. Father's new parish is a large parish but no school with this assignment. He noted that Fr Swami (as he goes by) is a good leader/administrator.
- Staff is back working in the office but not open for walk in business until at least May 18.
- Finances have taken a big hit. Did apply and receive the PPP loan that will help cover approx. 2-2 1/2 months of wages. The school subsidy will be the biggest concern to fulfill.
- Video masses and other communications going well. First weeks were a little rough but now on Facebook and Utube. Have done 2 drive in devotion with the first one having about 100 cars. Father noted there are palms available in the Narthex and that he has resumed confessions at 4:00 on Sat. with some procedure requests/changes for Covid precautions.
- Several volunteers and staff have been calling parishioners to just check on them. The calls have been very well received and very positive for both caller and recipient. Mary noted this was great evangelization.
- Fr Sauers & Fr Jim met with Jen from the school and Dan from REP. They have had their struggles with the abrupt change but have been working with families to get resources, websites and videos out to them.
- First Communion has been rescheduled to the fall. Confirmation currently set for 5/31 with no official decision to change yet. It has been decided to proceed with the RCIA candidate's acceptance & baptisms on 5/31 even if it will be limited and live streamed verses open to public.
- There has been no guidance from diocese on Graduation. Considering 5/28 at St Joe's or possible 5/31 outdoor mass in parking lot.
- Public masses were on hold until May 15 by Bishop but figure that will go thru 18th to match governor's shelter in place. When public masses do begin again there will be limitations. Father will work with parish nurses on some of the best practices. Will consider possible outdoor masses.
- Baptisms have been put on hold. Three (3) funerals were postponed a couple others were small and could be done. There is a wedding in a couple weeks but it is very small, the next wedding is Aug 1 so will be in contact with them.
- Campaign currently \$100,000 short. Father would like to see that reached to help cover some extra upkeep items such as roof, furnace, tuck pointing if needed. Current refurbishments & renovations are covered by what has been raised so far.

- Incomplete refurbishment pieces are the Tabernacle Shrine & presider chairs which he is pushing to get done before he is gone. The business building the tabernacle has been closed for the last 1 ½ months. The chairs are done and just waiting on the upholstery.

New Business: Some discussion on once we begin public masses and if we need to look at overflow into parish center to keep with social distancing. Live streaming will need to continue for those that are nervous to come out and for those over 65 that bishop will discourage from coming out. We will need to figure out if and how to get communion to them too.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:26 PM

Next Meeting: June meeting possible, no date set.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jackie Evans, Secretary