CHRIST THE REDEEMER PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes - January 25, 2021

	Parish Staff	Present
Pastor	Rev. Sean P. Horrigan	yes
Parochial Vicar	Rev. Vincent Tran	yes
Deacon/ Parish Administrator	Deacon Kerry Bourque	yes
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	Parishioners	

Meeting began: 7:00 PM

Opening prayer: Rosanne

PPC Matters:

• Meeting dates for 2021

February 23 July Skip
March 23 August 24
April 27 September 28
May 25 October 26

June 22 November 23 (tentative)

Fr Sean was hoping to return to in person meetings, but we will stay virtual at this time. It could be another 6 months. Fr Sean will check with Patrick to see if he is still interested in serving on the council.

Open Forum: No members from the parish were in attendance to address the council.

Information sharing from Fr. Sean:

- COVID 19 updates On site meetings are being held for sacramental preparation but all other meetings will be held virtually until further notice from the Cardinal.
- Still no homebound or hospital visits for Holy Communion

- Regarding Ash Wednesday instead of placing the sign of the Cross on the
 forehead, ministers will take a small pinch of ashes and sprinkle it on the crown
 of the head of the parishioners. This was how it was done in Italy. The ashes are
 actually interior renewal of the faith of the recipient whereas the mark on the
 forehead is an outward sign. Fr Sean will provide an explanation of this before
 Ash Wednesday. Some parishes thought of using cotton swabs but the Cardinal
 said sprinkle on the head. Fr Sean is still working out the schedule for Ash
 Wednesday mass and Reading of the Word/ ashes distribution.
- The Knights of Columbus will still do the fish fry on Fridays during Lent. It will all be orders to go with a limited menu, no dessert and no drinks. Price will be \$8 per plate
- Spring Festival held the last weekend in April. The committee has already had
 one meeting and another scheduled for this week. The festival will not look the
 same as it did in the past, but there will be a festival in some form. There will
 certainly be drive up food available as the ethnic food was a great moneymaker.
- Adoration Chapel the construction is almost complete and should reopen by Ash Wednesday. There should be 8 chairs in the chapel for people to come and pray and still maintain social distance. The Chapel will move away from perpetual exposition of the Body since adoration can be done whether you see the Body or not. The Host should not be left alone if exposed. The Monstrance will be encased and visible but closed if no one is in the chapel. To expose the Body is sacramental (benediction) after mass and may be brought back on a regular basis.
- Deacon Kerry said there are 3 men being ordained as Deacons from CTR however it was postponed until February 20 due to the virus.
- Lent Victor asked about streaming the Stations of the Cross Fr Sean and Fr Vincent said there is a video of the stations that they may be able to use as the readings and prayers are the same.

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• Open Discussion:

• If anyone wants to rent the parish hall, contact Lily in the office. There are limitations but it is available.

Next Meeting: February 23, 2021

Prayer volunteer for next meeting: James

Closing Prayer: Rosanne

Meeting adjourned: 8:13 PM