

PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES
September 17, 2020 – (ZOOM MEETING)
PRINCE OF PEACE – 7PM

- I. Opening prayer provided by Stewardship Commission
- II. Roll Call: Fr. Ken, Fr. Stack, Deacon Jeff, Brenda Bertram, Annette Lyons, Dave Schnier, Sister Kathy Holland, Nancy Peart, LuAnn Farrell, Fran Buelow, Cindy Holiday, Dean Stone, Marla Schultz, Nancy Mathena, Anna Lorenzen / Excused: Tom Streveler
Absent: Ed Kross, Patty Johnson, Gloria Marcos, Hannah Eschelman, Carmen Soesbe
- III. January Minutes – Father Stack/Father Ken – approved
- IV. Approval of Agenda – Add Council Membership information/Approved
- V. Commission Reports
 - A. Parish Life Commission – Written report submitted. (Dean Stone)
 - Prayers for Chuck Ross
 - Pie Sales will commence
 - B. Stewardship Commission – Written report submitted. (Nancy Mathena)
 - Working on stewardship renewal timeline, booklets will be on website, cards will be mailed.
 - Oct. 24th & 25th there will be a lay witness talk from Andy Hardigan. Dan McEleney will be doing one during the Lenten season.
 - Infomercial schedules will continue in the bulletin, and video.
 - Will send newsletter out to reach everyone.
 - C. Worship & Prayer Commission – Written report submitted – (Cindy Holiday)
 - New schedule will be coming out in the next week.
 - D. Evangelization Commission – (Fran Buelow)
 - Did not meet in person, met a little bit on line.
 - Ordered a book (I Heard God Laugh) that will be available as a handout at Christmas. They will meet in November to talk about distribution.
 - Emmaus Program – A Vision 20/20 outgrowth in Evangelization. To develop small groups of 6 to 8 people who would like to broaden their perspective of the Catholic Church.
 - E. Faith Formation Commission – Written report submitted – (Marla Schultz)
 - Flock Notes is used by many churches to connect with people. Can communicate information in a moment's notice. Advantage of being a text message instead of email.
 - Email blast from Dave Schnier goes out once a week with information about how to connect to our website, Mass, and any other things that pertain to the life of our Parish.
 - Compared and contrasted email to text messaging to help reach all people of the Parish.
 - F. Family Life Commission – Annette Lyons
 - Has not met at this time.
 - G. Justice & Peace Commission – Written report submitted – (Dave Schnier)
 - Topic of interest is Racism
- VI. Other Reports
 - A. Deacon – (Jeff)

- Deacon Jeff participated in two evenings to discuss “Open Wide Our Hearts” – discussion on racism. Deacon Jeff will be facilitating a discussion on Oct. 9th with the Priests of the Deanery.
- Deacon will be participating in a 21 day retreat on racism put out by the United Way of the Quad Cities.
- Virtual Clergy Days coming up November 12th.

B. Director of Outreach Ministry –

- Telephoning people 90 and older, empty nester age and then those that were affected by the derecho to see if they needed help.
- They have started birthday calling and it has been very well received.
- Updating nursing home and assisted living lists and are sending thinking of you cards.
- Information will be put in the newsletter to give people an opportunity to adopt an individual to send a card to, call or maybe even visit at some point.
- Walking with Hope has ended. Had a group email instead of luncheon.
- People seemed to like the book “Beautiful Hope” and there are still copies available in the office that are free.
- Virtually walked the El Camino Real.
- Bible Study – Starting this Sunday there will be Bible Readings and reflection questions in the bulletin. This will run for 9 weeks.
- A Zoom reflection will be available on Thursday mornings at 9:30. You will need to email Annette Lyons at lyons.annette@gmail.com to get an invitation to attend this zoom meeting.

C. Finance Council – (Dave Schnier) –Addressed in Business Administrator report

D. Latino Ministry Representative – (Father Ken)

- Hope to have a restart to the Spanish Masses in October.

E. Principal of Prince of Peace School – Written report submitted - (Nancy Peart)

F. Diocesan Pastoral Council Representative – (LuAnn Farrell)

- LuAnn has been visiting other churches to see how things are being handled. She is encouraging others to go with her.

G. Sisters of St. Francis Representative – (Sister Kathy Holland)

- COVID has closed many doors. The Canticle has been on lock down since March.
- Activities have continued to go on virtually, held the community meeting in the Spring, commissioning was held this summer, looking forward to October 3rd community meeting.
- Chapter of Affairs was postponed for one year.
- Peace Center is very active, thanks to volunteers.
- Doing big work with racism.
- International Day of Peace is next week. They are producing a video where they have contacted someone in each of the 50 states to present a message in peace.

H. Director of Faith Formation – (Brenda Bertram)

- August Minutes has an outline of what they are going to this year for Faith Formation.
- Catechists are becoming mentors to contact our families.
- Christ Our Life Conference is September 26th 27th, you can purchase your ticket and attend virtually.
- Beginning of October is Mental Health Awareness Week – The Diocese of Davenport will have two speakers that will be available virtually.

I. Youth Representative – Not Present

J. Parish Business Administrator – (Dave Schnier)

- Annual Financial Report was submitted
- It has been a challenging fiscal year, but we were able to gain some ground with PPP Loan.
- Envelope revenues are at about 75% of what they should be.
- The new Annual Diocesan Appeal is in process.
- Over 96% of the current Diocesan Appeal have been received.
- New ADA goal \$96,380
- Currently doing parking lot repairs, electrical issues, and replacing downed light pole
- Will be mailing out a newsletter to everyone in the parish.
- Looking for an Administrative Assistant to replace Angie. She has accepted a full time position elsewhere. If you know of anyone that might be interested, please pass this on.

VII. New Business

A. Maxim – (Dave Schnier)

- Maxim has been put on hold due to COVID.

B. Council Membership – (Father Ken)

- Father Ken went over the positions that need to be filled. Would like the new representatives on board by November.

C. How are you doing spiritually, mentally, physically?

- As a Parish we are trying to do the best that we can.
- Nursing homes seem to be hit hard.
- Priests are not permitted to go into places that have or had COVID.
- Trying to do telephone ministry.
- Funeral Masses would be available if a family requests this.
- Currently do not have capabilities to live stream Masses.

VIII. Adjournment – Dean Stone

IX. Closing Prayer – Peace Prayer

The next meeting of the Pastoral Council will be November 19, 2020 at 7:00pm.

The Worship and Prayer will lead the opening prayer.