April 18, 2021: Pastoral Council Summary

Opening prayer: Bridget Brooks

A *Reminder* to Council Member was given: That two current members would be *rolling off* at the end of June; the current council may need to add at least 4 new members. The need for starting recruitment was emphasized.

Guest(s) - None

Pastor's Update:

- Mass attendance has increased beginning on Ash Wednesday and has continued during Lent;
 Easter Sunday brought the largest mass attendance yet in 2022, approximately 2500
- Approximately 120 youth recently received the Sacrament of Confirmation

Manager's Update:

- She has received 6 applications for the DRE position
- 2021-2022 Budget "KickOff" has begun; all commission chairs have received requests to submit budgetary proposals
- Reiterated that the Latino Ministry coordinator position will not be advertised until the new DRE is in place
- Stated that there are over 350 families who are no longer active in the parish or give financially, and they will receive a letter from Fr. Mark as to their wish to remain as active members
- The 3 Sunfish properties continue to be fully rented
- Some Tree trimming on Brawley School Rd by the NCDOT was reportedly done in February

Finance Council

YTD Offertory is now \$100K ahead of YTD budget; reserves are "doing well"

Building and Facilities Commission

- Flooring in the nursery has been completed
- Church HVAC repair and upgrades have been started

Community Ministries Commission

440 lbs of food was collected for donation to FeedNC

Ecumenism Commission - No report.

• The need for advertising for a new chair and members was accepted

Education & Formation Commission

Did not have an April meeting

• Their *Strenthsquest* program was to begin April 25; the program received a donation to fund the tuition of 20 students

Evangelization/Communication Commission

- A new **Welcome Packet** would be available soon
- They are interested in having a motivational speaker and discussed this possibility

Liturgy and Worship Commission

- AltarServers reported as having returned to service
- They have been discussing what precautions Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will need to go into private homes
- Is also considering retraining all Liturgical Ministers this summer

Parish Life Commission

- Spirits and Scriptures continues
- *Softball* is underway

Stewardship Committee

- Announcements for their *GodFirst* program have been published in the bulletin
- Positive feedback has been received regarding their April Mini-Ministry Summit
- They are working on plans for a 10-session program on Stewardship developed by FORMED
- Newcomers phone calls continue; using the Zoom format to introduce new parishioners has not worked to date

Latino Ministry

• The outdoor **Stations of the Cross** was well attended

Old Business:

- Parish 75th Anniversary Committee is being chaired by Ian Campos; weekly planning meetings are being held via Zoom; all are invited to help
- PC member Handbook work continues to be done
- The Ad Hoc subcommittee formed to discuss Carolina Catholic Radio had a Zoom call with CEO David Papandrea; he would like to make a presentation on a weekend and have a table for fundraising

New Business:

• The idea of having a **Pastoral Council Retreat** was discussed and was well-received, but specific goals and agenda were requested before moving forward

Closing Prayer: Paula Kelly