

Mission Advisory Council Minutes, 29 January 2021

Present: Fr. Tom Charters, Kathy O'Brien, Bobbie Campbell, Linda Cauley, Bill Cauley, Joe McGuinness, Jennifer Hebner, Maria Whitson, Irma Padilla, Ken Wandera

Opening Reflection: Deacon Kenn Wandera

Additional Items:

Old Business

Property Comments: Fr. Tom Charters told everyone all our property mortgages have been paid. Our next building focus will be classroom buildings for religious education. A stone walk resembling a rosary is being built near the cross outside the church.

Finance Report: Fr. Tom Charters presented the monthly report prepared by Jennifer Hebner. Due to outside donations, we have a reserve of \$7,000.00 for emergencies. A copy of the finance report will be in the bulletin.

Religious Education: Kathy O'Brien reported attendance of religious education classes is increasing. On December 11, the Diocese will conduct a virtual lock-in from 11 pm to 4 am. This is also the feast day of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Due to the Covid 19 Virus and the conflict with the lock-in this year, the celebration will probably be a mass only. On Saturday, 24 October 2020, middle school students will assist in passing out food boxes to the needy. The current class arrangement regarding time and space is working well so there will not be a return to all four classes in one room at the same time, the youngest age group of children currently has eight children attending class during Sunday mass.

Knights of Columbus: The Knights of Columbus donated \$500.00 to the church to be used as needed. The fish fries have been phenomenally successful. The last fish fry will be Friday, 23 October 2020. On 24 October 2020, the Knights of Columbus and other Parish members will distribute food boxes.

Additional Business: Rick Millenbach believes members of the Parish may be leaving us for other churches. Fr. Tom Charters offered that people may be staying home due to the Covid 19 virus, they may be going to churches closer to their homes, they wish to attend mass in Spanish or other reasons. Rick Millenbach will present a plan at the next Advisory Committee to determine if, why and how to best conduct evangelism to maintain and grow the Parish.

Next Meeting: Feb.26, 2021

Closing Prayer: Fr Tom Charters