

# St. Ursula Pastoral Council Meeting

July 20, 2020

## ATTENDEES

Jeff Breighner	Fr. Jason Worley
Colleen Hamilton	Sr. Joan Kelly
Nancy Webb	Shelley Commodari
Katie Campbell	Tom Flynn
Tom Scheve	Alex Kurlik
Linda Frazier	Mark Appleby
Bernie Miller	Bill Kreidler
Tina Riesett	Michael Colbourne

The Zoom Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Jeff Breighner who opened with a prayer.

Colleen Hamilton made a motion to accept the minutes from the June meeting and Tina Riesett seconded. The minutes were approved as written.

### Finance Committee Updates:

Katie Campbell reported on the unfavorable Parish budget situation. The Parish is running at a \$111,000 net income shortage, which includes the remaining \$75,000 owed on the new air conditioner. Now that masses have resumed, the offertory income has increased but we are still only receiving 50% of what we did prior to COVID. The Payroll Protection Program runs out at the end of July and the parish must come up with a plan to meet payroll going forward. Fr. Jason has proposed asking the staff to accept reduced salary in the short term and asking the parishioners to contribute to make up the difference. The Council agreed with the plan to ask each parishioner to contribute a small amount, approximately \$63/parishioner, to make up the deficit. The FY 2021 budget is due to the Archdiocese by the end of August. As things stand, we will go into the 2021 budget at a \$50,000 deficit; however, that may fluctuate a bit once final figures are laid in. The budget will be sent to the Pastoral Council in August for electronic approval.

The Council discussed ways to increase mass attendance, since we offer both indoor and outdoor masses, including Facebook publicity and signage in front of the church. Additionally, the group discussed posting outdoor and indoor mass times on the schools' electronic sign. Colleen will reach out to Tamara to make the contact with the school.

### **Fundraising:**

Jeff indicated that, because of the budget situation, the parish needs to find ways to raise money. Specifically, he asked the Council to consider ways to raise the most money without requiring lots of work. He mentioned the fundraiser that St. Ignatius Hickory is conducting. They are selling 750 raffle tickets for \$50 each. They will have a drawing for prizes, the largest of which is \$10,000. Members pointed out that this is exactly like a school fundraiser, however the school has decided to delay their Lucky \$1500 raffle next year.

Jeff proposed that the Pastoral Council should develop fundraising ideas, rather than forming a separate committee. All Council members should share any ideas with Jeff and the rest of the group. Jeff will develop a list to share with Fr. Jason and vet with Chris Moscato our bookkeeper.

### **Parkville Fair:**

The Parkville Fair will be held this year on September 12<sup>th</sup> on our parking lot. Jeff indicated that we need to set up a booth for evangelization and for fundraising. Colleen proposed that we could sell food or have activities for kids.

### **COVID-19:**

Jeff thanked everyone who helped at masses. We are now back to the regular mass schedule. Katie mentioned that there is a SignUpGenius to volunteer for outdoor masses. Anyone who doesn't want to use the tool can contact Katie directly.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** None

**Pastor's Report:** Father also thanked those who have helped at masses. He announced that Alex will be leaving next week. Deacon Chris Pinto was in a serious car accident and Father asked us to keep him in our prayers. Fr. Jay O'Connor, Eastern Vicar for the Archdiocese, will reside at St. Ursula and will help with masses.

Father Jason closed the meeting with a prayer. The meeting was adjourned by Jeff at 8:05 pm.

### **Action Items:**

1. Finance Committee to craft a message to parishioners asking for donations to make up the \$50,000 budget deficit.
2. Colleen Hamilton will reach out to Tamara re posting indoor/outdoor mass times on the schools' message board.
3. Council members should send fundraising ideas to Jeff and other members.

Submitted by:

Nancy Webb, Secretary     July 21, 2020