

St. Luke's Parish Pastoral Council
2019-2020
May 14, 2020
7:15 PM – Zoom Meeting

Attendees: Mary Johnson, Tonya Althaus, Gary Olson, Shani Wahl, Dana Bastian, Brian Werner, Jason Richards, Judy Jones, Father Ken, Deacon Fred, Deacon Matt and Deacon Don

Not Present: Jennifer Joensen

Guest: Susan Grebasch

Opening Prayer

- Opening Prayer was given by Fr. Ken
- April Meeting Minutes – a motion to approve was made by Tonya and seconded by Gary. The Minutes were approved
- Old Business
 - a. Grant/Loan~ Paycheck protection plan
 - i. \$238,000 received with the stipulation to spend it in 6 weeks
 - ii. Becomes a Grant if at 75% is spent on salaries and 25% spent on mortgage interest and utilities
 - iii. Should be able to use all of the money for the indicated expenses
- After Quarantine is over/Preparations
 - a. Father participates on the Diocese committee on operations and recommendations for churches during the pandemic
 - b. Upcoming communication on other counties. Polk county will continue with no masses
 - c. Once Phase I begins for weekday masses, there will be specific regulations to follow such as:
 - i. spray down pews in between masses
 - ii. ministers required to wear masks. Masks for Parishioners recommended
 - 1. Cloth masks may be provided by the church
 - iii. No children servers
 - iv. No music and no books in the pews
 - d. Church has large amount of cleaner and hand sanitizer. More will be needed once re-open
 - e. Example of a communication sent by Sacred Heart was discussed. Father will work with Vicki to develop a similar communication
- Sacraments
 - a. First Communion may possibly be in July or August

- b. There may be a limit on number of people allowed to attend.
- c. Father is allowed to perform Confirmation
- d. These Sacraments will be done this year and not moved to combine with next year's students
- e. An update was sent to the students/families on May 6th from Pete Hack
- New Business
 - a. Committee Updates
 - i. Welcome Committee – visits have been suspended until after the quarantine has been lifted
 - ii. Social Concerns Committee – next meeting at the end of May
 - 1. Tithe of Tithe and the Ankeny summer lunch program has been suspended
 - 2. Catholic Worker House lunch still happening using “to go” containers
 - iii. Liturgy Committee –
 - 1. Reviewed activity from Lent and On-Line services
 - 2. The holy day, Ascension, has been moved to Sunday May 24th
 - 3. Once we are able to return to mass, St Luke's needs a quality camera to broadcast into the gym. Will ask parishioners if anyone has a camera for the church to borrow
 - 4. Liturgy committee is looking into how to get more involvement with kids. Possible Zoom meetings
 - b. On-Line Faith Formation
 - i. Father will be doing more FaceBook/YouTube talks
 - ii. Bishop Barron's, Word on Fire
 - iii. Sadler – Deacon Matt
 - iv. Need to find ways to communicate these On-Line options to parishioners
 - v. A discussion was held concerning music and need to obtain the copyright
 - c. Letter from Jimmy Becker generated many questions from the parishioners
 - i. Requested that the Parish Council be given prior notice of efforts like this
 - ii. Letters in this effort were only sent to parishioners who had agreed to share their name and address in the parish directory
 - d. Parishioner requests for Eucharist

- i. The Eucharist can only be distributed within the sacrament, such as during mass or anointing of the sick
- Father Ken's comments
 - a. Building – Looking to gather bids for subcontractors as many contractors are looking for work and this may help to get a better price. Currently have estimates only and no real bids
 - b. School – the teachers have gone above and beyond to educate the children during the quarantine
 - i. Offers have been made for the PE and Art teacher. The Art teacher will be a shared position with St. Joseph and Holy Trinity.
 - ii. The \$3400 tuition assistance was accepted by OLIH
 - c. Budget updates – The Loan/Grant will help the budget immensely
- Next Meeting – June 11th
- Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Tonya and seconded by Gary and approved by all
- Closing Prayer was given by Fr. Ken

Respectfully submitted by Judy Jones, parish council secretary