

**St. Luke the Evangelist
Parish Pastoral Council
November 12, 2020 – in person & via Zoom Meeting 7:15 pm**

Attendees: Fr. Ken, Fr. James, Deacon Fred, Deacon Don, Shani Wahl, Dana Bastian, Jason Richards, Mirka Deza, Gary Olson, Paul Moritz, Brian Werner, Judy Jones and Jennifer Joensen

Absent: Deacon Matt

Guests: Susan Grebasch

The opening prayer was led by Fr. Ken

The October Meeting Minutes were approved with a motion by Dana and a second by Gary

Old Business

- Back to Church Update
 - due to recent increases in Covid-19 cases in Iowa and per Governor Reynold's proclamation to wear masks at social events, Bishop Joensen issued a mask mandate for all public Masses, sacramental celebrations, and other events in Church buildings in the Diocese of Des Moines extending through February 2, 2021 at which time it will be reviewed
 - Communion line will remain the same and chairs are available in the gym during Mass
- Parish Online Directory
 - will develop a committee to communicate the online directory to the Parish
 - Shani and Jen volunteered to serve on the committee
 - allows families to upload/update their own information and include a staff directory
 - Brian researched websites and they are very secure, have an admin setting, and allow parishioners to print from the site
 - Shani will set up a separate meeting to discuss next steps

New Business

- Director of Faith Formation, David Reising
 - Introductions to David and the Committee
 - David gave an overview and update of his faith formation role
 - biggest obstacle is securing enough volunteers this year due to the pandemic
 - over 300 kids are signed up for RE
 - using "Finding God" curriculum
- Stewardship Committee and Structure
 - Shani sent the PC the original Stewardship document for review
 - Step 1.) define the structure for the Stewardship Committee and Step 2.) analyze the pillars and modify the model to fit the Parish.
 - It was recommended to create a subcommittee to review details of the document, perhaps with a member of each church committee, i.e. School Board, PC, Building, etc.
 - Dana proposed we review the documents after Christmas once there is more clarity on Covid-19
- Capital Campaign
 - We broke ground on October 27 and since more donations have been received
 - Jimmy Becker is heading a committee to engage parishioners who have not donated

- Letters being sent on 11/25, calls will be made between 11/30-12/5 and final calls will be made 12/14-19
- Committee Updates
 - Welcome Committee
 - no new updates
 - Social Concerns
 - Winter clothing drive was successful
 - Jean McPherson will organize the Angel Tree again this year
 - Liturgy
 - Discussed Christmas Mass plan, including additional Mass times and help from Frs. Larry and James
 - Volunteers needed for setting up chairs
 - Discussed having a sign-up to manage social distancing and numbers

Father Ken's Comments

- School
 - 243 students with 2 more starting next week and 4 grades having wait lists
 - over 35% more students are registered now vs last year
 - the hope is to not have to go virtual, however the school is preparing for that scenario

The next Parish Council meeting will be December 10th.

The Closing Prayer was offered by Fr. Ken

A motion to adjourn the meeting was given by Paul and seconded by Brian. Meeting ended at 8:25 PM.

Submitted by Jennifer Joensen