

Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Date: 4/16/20

Time: 7 pm

Location: Virtual via Zoom

Attendees: Father Adam, Dean Brauner, Jason Lewis, Dan Walter, Theresa Garrett, Aaron Thompson, Terry Mullaney, Linda Schork, Cindy Robinson, Sean Murphy, John Dwyer

- Father opened with a prayer.
- Department personnel gave operational updates on impact of Covid-19:
 - Liturgical and outreach (Father Adam)
 - Public masses will resume upon Archdiocese clearance
 - Father is on call with Baptist East – minimal requests have been received
 - Deacon John is reaching out to homebound parishioners assessing needs and offering assistance
 - Experienced high volume of viewers of streaming services during Easter masses and other services (ex. Stations of the Cross)
 - Existing video technology has separated us from other parishes
 - Father would like video testimonials during this crisis:
 - Where are you finding God?
 - What is this like for you?
 - Facilities (Jason)
 - Delayed certain contractors (ex. dumpster)
 - Using this time to conduct deep cleaning of ALL facilities
 - Collected and delivered PPE (ex. masks) to parishioners in health care field (ex. Beierles)
 - Matching parishioners offering assistance with those requesting it
 - Received 3 feasibility study responses
 - Scope includes surveying, data mining and analysis
 - Prices range from \$15K to \$60K
 - All capital projects (>\$20K) are on hold per Archdiocese unless approved
 - Finance (Theresa)
 - All employees are on payroll and being paid for normal working hours
 - Applied for PPP through the Archdiocese
 - Current year financial risk:
 - Festival: \$79K
 - Summer program: \$30K

- Risk has been mitigated by running ahead of budget on stewardship and enrollment
- School (Terry)
 - Very smooth transition to distance learning - progressing well as majority of students are participating
 - 1:1 iPad initiative prepared Ascension for this type of learning – feedback from parents has been positive
 - Tech specialist (Chet) will deliver iPads at students' houses when replacements are needed
 - Pre-K has finished for the year – payments stopped on 4/30
 - 8th grade trip has been cancelled
 - Parents are receiving full refund
 - Cancellation penalty being covered by fund raising and small parish commitment
 - 1st Communion can occur once public masses are reinstated – parents can present child at any Sunday Mass
 - Tuition letters for 2020-2021 will be distributed in normal fashion
- Festival
 - Committee looking at alternate formats and dates
 - Next meeting is on 4/23 at 5 pm via Zoom
- Father closed with a blessing.

Next meeting is on 5/21 at 7 pm via Zoom