# ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH



Tuesday, Oct 20, 2020

Prayer Service Fr. Brian

**Attendees:** Fr. Brian, Deacon Chris Rauch, Mary Ellen Singer Pastoral Assoc, Marty McClain HS Youth, Meghann Naveau

## **PAC Members present**

Dan Driskell, Cathy Frank, Danny Sprouse, Melissa Bennett, Chris Gardner, Lisa Barhorst, Chuck Destefani, Sarah Chivers, John Hoffman, Shawn Norris, Deb Franz, Tom Kwest **PAC Members absent**, Karen Cwiekalo

Welcome: Dan Driskell/Fr. Brian

**Approval of June meeting minutes-** Motion Dan Driskell Second Cathy Frank Ayes—all Nays--none

Staff Report: Deacon Chris

Sanitizing—how is it working? Cord could be longer especially for longer pews

Many hands make it go faster; It works well during the week, too.

Parish rejuvenation Zoom call—dispensation expected to last the remainder of the year—unofficial position of the Archdiocese.

R.E. and Faith Formation starting again this weekend—plan to assess and evaluate results to allow small groups to restart meetings; Social distancing and masks would be required and sanitation of the area needed following the meeting; Looking at traffic flow for people; Classrooms are not all able to be used with social distancing for classes

### **Commission/Committee Reports:**

#### Social Action: Meghann Naveau-

Continued to meet in the shelter; Food drives monthly; voting resources and Catholic social teachings, working on a flyer to faithfully prepare for the upcoming elections; Continuing education on racism; recruiting new members—1 returning and 2 new

### Faith Formation: John Huffman-

Criteria for permitting children to enter the classroom were discussed in light of COVID and for safety Breaking apart various parts of faith formation—Mary Ellen presented adult aspects to the team; RCIA discussed; upcoming commission workshop

### Worship: Meghann Naveau for Jeannette Fromm

All 6 existing members of the Worship Commission and 2 potential new members plan to participate in the Archdiocesan program: *With Zeal and Patience: The Role of the Parish Worship Commission* this evening from 7.00 to 9.00.

Finance: Deacon Chris- No Finance Meeting

**Youth Ministry: Marty McClain**- Identifying new candidates for a high school youth representative to PAC; challenge to identify service opportunities but many are not accepting volunteers at this time; working with some adult members to identify opportunities; Dan may have some ideas; Tom stated Bellbrook Resource Center still accepts volunteers

**Business Update: Deacon Chris-.** 

See Staff Report

Ahead of budget by \$26k for giving currently

A number of parishioners are giving in lump sums instead of weekly—thankful for generosity but monitoring

Expenses—some additional OT due to cleaning needs; little money spent on wine

Annual budget based on historical expenses

Generous donation from Fr. Tom's estate

Catholic school subsidy for parishioners (greater than 1 year)—budgeted amount exceeded actual expense. Donation made to St. Benedict Moor and St. Charles.

Practicing good stewardship with uncertain future

### Fr. Brian Updates

Amazing Parish workshop—Sept 29 7p -9p—who are we; how do we behave—based on parish mission and vision statements; What makes us special at St. Francis? Move forward on strengths and weaknesses; Foster and develop clarity around our culture; It will be live in-person; live streamed and recorded—multiple ways to participate

Each meeting will start with initial 5-6 minutes monthly and discuss various aspects

#### **Action Item:**

Chuck Destefani brought forth--Choir gathering in shelter 9/16/20 with distanced choir for options to participate remotely

Men's Retreat—planning meeting this past Tuesday—discussing a local retreat rather than an off-site at Bergamo; social distancing and Archdiocese recommendations; Fr. Brian or Deacon Chris offered to attend to discuss details

Tom Kwest—Thanksgiving baskets—project is unknown at this time but feeding the poor is essential to our ministry; Fr. Brian wants to figure out a way to do it; Mary Ellen said figuring out how to fill the baskets and how to deliver it would be items to decide

Fr. Brian—taking the temp of thoughts on an in-person meeting

**New Business:** We will meet next on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of September—Oct Discuss a digital 'Ask PAC' in Oct to avoid gathering space crowding

**Closing Remarks: Fr. Brian-** Welcome to our new members! I rely on your opinion and input, which is why I ask the questions and listen to what you think. Thank you all very, very much for all you do and what you dedicate to this parish!

Closing prayers: Fr. Brian