



ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

Tuesday, May 18, 2021

Attendees: Fr. Brian, Deacon Chris Rauch, Jeannette Fromm, Marty McClain, Mary Ellen Singer, John Hoffman

PAC Members present: Cathy Frank, Danny Sprouse, Sarah Chivers, Tom Kwest, Shawn Norris, Melissa Bennett, Deb Franz, Lisa Barhorst, Chris Gardner, Karen Cwiekalo

PAC Members absent: Dan Driskell, Chuck Destefani,

Welcome: Lisa Barhorst/Fr. Brian
Opening prayers & petitions

Approval of April meeting minutes- Motion Cathy Frank; second Tom Kwest, approved

Staff Report: Deacon Chris

Cathy asked about seeing samples of the sound board, Deacon Chris will have a display put out with samples and other information on the project, he is working on this.

Commission/Committee Reports:

Social Action: Shawn Norris- Social Action continues to host the CSSMV food drive third Sunday of the month. Their 3rd newsletter went out in May. The discussion on race held April 29 had 24 participants with good feedback. Another meeting on race is set tentatively for August. The survey of the Parish on what we know and need in regards to Catholic Social Teachings had 80 responses with ongoing development in videos and presentations to educate us in this area.

Faith Formation: John Hoffman- They are working on the upcoming Vacation Bible Camp. Maureen Hoffman will be replaced by Cheri Rotterman as Faith Formation Chairperson

Worship Committee: Jeannette Fromm- A candlelight event combining Reconciliation and Mass on June 17 is being set up. Ongoing attention is being given to the details of transitioning from Covid restrictions to less restrictions in the Liturgies..

Finance: Deacon Chris- Finance Council met two weeks ago and reviewed all 283 accounts. Donations are back to near normal, while we have held expenses. Excess funds have been held for capital improvements. These are primarily roof repairs and parking/driveway repairs. A special savings in housekeeping has occurred due to the housekeeper now volunteering her time due to a change in her situation not requiring the income.

Youth Ministry: Marty McClain- The D cells continue to meet in person and watch "The Chosen One" . The attendance in the D cells post Christmas, late season meetings, is near 90% versus less than 50% in the past. This is being attributed to the closeness & relationships formed by the small size of the D cells versus the larger groups of the past. We are joining with Ascension & St Albert the Great to develop a Mission in My Back Yard, for local mission work. Confirmation is May 22 5PM Mass. We will have a new replacement for Delany in August.

Business Updates: Deacon Chris- Ongoing work with the acoustic panels, including finding a neutral color to best match the walls & ceilings. We will have wall panels going in first, then evaluating the need for ceiling panels. The new Fire Inspector has evaluated the building and has noted many items to be addressed that had not been issues in the past. A review of these items with his supervisor is being looked into. The owner of the adjacent property with the historic yellow building said he may be able to donate and move it to our property at no cost. However, even if free, it would incur ongoing expenses and effort and would require approval by the Archdiocese, and we do not have a need.

New Business: Lisa- Thanks to Cathy for the binder of information on selecting new PAC members. Notices will be placed in the bulletin for applicants and we are to consider nominations as well. Interested persons are encouraged to attend the Gifted and Called presentations to evaluate how they might help. An online Parish vote will occur in August with Fr. Brian making the final selections.

Fr. Brian Discussion- Thanks to everyone for their input into the survey on Beacons of Light and opening the pew sections. We will next open sections 1 and 4 in addition to section 5. We are required to maintain one section for social distancing. June 2nd we are no longer required to wear masks at Mass. Also, the dispensation regarding not attending Mass is lifted June 5. We are under obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days, except for serious health concerns, caregivers to at risk people and those with high anxiety/fear from attendance.

Steps to adjust back to pre-covid are being discussed amongst the different areas, including Sacristans, Eucharistic Ministers, Servers and Ushers. The levels of precautions, spacing, washing etc have to be evaluated for many tasks.

Fr. Brian will be meeting in July with others in the Archdiocese, to evaluate information and next steps in regards to the Beacons of Light.

We will meet virtually in June, off July, and possibly in person meeting in August.

Action Item: Prepare for new PAC positions.

Next meeting: Tuesday, June 15, 2021

Closing Remarks: Fr. Brian- Thank You.

Closing prayers: Fr. Brian