Pastoral Council Minutes July 14, 2020

Absent Members: Terrance Dsilve, Mimi Madrid, Alex Miniel, Kelly Payne

Question of the Week: What has hearing the Gospel produced in your life?

The council discussed the Gospel being a source of strength. It was mentioned that the Gospel can be a huge awakening and that it calls people out. Meaning, you can relate it to your own life and find ways to bring the Gospel to life and to other people. It can be thought of as art. When you engaged in art you can see that it is communicating with you. When you come back to art, you see different things at different time (in your life). Every time you come back to it, you here it in a different way as it pertains to your life. The Gospel is a living thing doing it work.

Council Update – How is everyone doing? How is your engagement with STA? Everyone Most council members are enjoying having Mass outdoors and agree that the staff did a great job getting everything together for it, from communication to coordination. The council was in agreement that STA is not a "one size fits all" parish, meaning if you are not comfortable coming to outdoor mass, you have the option to stream online daily Masses and watch the taped and edited Sunday mass. We are offering a variety of options and that is way ahead of other parishes. It was mentioned that the Hispanic community is being very impacted by COVID-19, which could be why attendance at the 7:00 a.m. Mass is low.

Pastor's Update: Monsignor Dan Stack

No update.

Discipleship and Stewardship Update: Ricardo Luzondo

Faith Formation has come up with a hybrid program for the upcoming year. Registration for this program begins August 1. The program is called Gathering Families Together and it has been used for the last three years. This program is for people and families of all ages. There is a flat rate for all families, regardless of the amount of people. Bible Study and programs for Adults will be offered and these will also require registration.

Ricardo mentioned the Health Ministry and their concern about blood drives. They have had to cancel two blood drives this year. He thought of the idea of having the drive in the tents outside where we participate in outdoor Mass. He also mentioned the possibility of a 5K in October.

Commissions update: Everyone

Nothing much to report. Still reaching out to commissions.

Finance Update: Patti Dismukes

There is not much of an update from the last Finance Council meeting. The Finance Council is monitoring expenses to the best of their ability. Patti asked the council to continue to pray for this and mentioned that we must do our part and live within the amount that we have.

Action Items: Everyone

- <u>All Members:</u> Social media awareness if you watch or see something on our social media, like it, share it, comment on it.
- <u>All Members:</u> Continue to reach out to your ministry leaders and make sure their information is up to date. We want to be able to get information out to people as fast as possible, as things are going to start changing quickly
- <u>All Members:</u> Create a short video discussing how you are living your faith at home and what practices you are doing to deepen your faith. Please send to Lia.
- All Members: Write two personal letters to the staff. Nancy will get a staff list
- All Members: Get feedback from parishioners about everything we have been doing
- <u>All Members:</u> Verbally encourage others to continue their offertory in the platform that serves them best
- All Members: Encourage people to download the app