

Present: Brabson; Gureski; Liss; Kunstman; Moser; Passuntino; Polacek; Rabel; Rose; Fr.Farrell; Revolinski; Wolff

Opening Prayer & Reflection: Sharon opened the meeting by reading a reflection from a Jesuit site.

Review of Minutes: After reviewing the items noted for follow-up in the January minutes, the minutes were approved.

The Council determined to revisit these topics at a future meeting:

1. Determining the appropriate weekend for Fr. Tom to make an appeal for more ministers.
2. Advancing the parish value of prayer--Council members should continue to: attend the holy hour as they are able; encourage their respective committees/commissions to attend; to share Paul and Sharon's letter with those members; to brainstorm with committees on how to advance the practice of prayer; to report back to the Council.

Parish Updates/discussion:

1. Faith Formation: Mark Kuntsman reported on the committee's discussion of welcoming new members. The committee proposes to invite all new (past 2 yrs) parishioners to a potluck social on June 28 after Mass in Sister Bay. Committee chairs will be invited to give a short presentation. The committee also made recommendations for celebration when the churches reopen. In the following discussion, Kevin Revolinski suggested that Council members consider attending the diocese's bi-weekly Zoom meetings. At this writing, council members have received an email (3:32 pm on 4.21) with information and login for the "Parish Life Line" meetings. See also the diocesan webpage: <https://www.gbdioc.org/front-page/spiritualparish-resourcescovid19>
Discussion: Question: could the parish hold mass at the drive-in theater? Fr. Tom reported that the diocese wanted the celebration of mass to include communion. Father noted that cars work well for Reconciliation.
2. CSR: Jeanne reported that the committee has reallocated \$5000 to emergency funding of meals and St. Vincent de Paul. She said that they are still making calls to people, but they are not currently doing home visits.
Sharon's comments??
3. Stewardship: Tom reported that plans are moving ahead with Stewardship's appeal and sharing campaign to begin the 3rd week of June. This year's appeal will be paperless and will utilize the parish website. Looking ahead to preparation of the annual report, Tom asked about how the business of the parish is doing and about the council's priorities going forward.

Discussion:

Zoom April 21, 2020

1:00 PM to 3:00PM

Finances: Kevin shared that revenue is down about 15%, and that we have applied for a loan which pending. Because of the shortfall, the parish is not making additional expenditures and has used internal resources as much as possible. The diocese has suggested that all parishes increase outreach during this period of quarantine, so Becky, Linda, and Katrina have been making calls to parishioners. Because Finance Council noted that donations were down 10%, it has suggested sending a solicitation to unregistered seasonal attendees explaining that 28% of the financial support of the parish comes from non-registered attendees. Kevin noted that we have 600 contributing members.

Annual Report: Tom reported that as preparation for compiling the annual report, he had collected information from members about challenges, priorities, and hopes. Sharon will draft a survey for all committee and commission chairs in preparation of this year's Annual Report within the next week.

4. Planning for emergencies update: Kevin reported that a video camera has been installed on the back door of the church office. Pete reported that the fire chiefs have agreed to present a training session for ushers as soon as social distancing restrictions change.

Two questions were posed: 1) could sacristans be assigned in two shift, and 2) could the ushers assist the sacristans in some ways, eg. cleaning the holy water font.

Discussion: The sacristan's responsibilities require the person to arrive earlier and stay longer at the church than the other ministers. Having two sacristans or a sacristan couple would make it easier. Our sacristans deserve whatever extra support and thanks we can give them.

Concerns from committees, others, yourself:

- Kathy reported hearing of disappointment that the 9 am mass in Fish Creek was changed to 10 am between July 4 and early September.
- How do we keep the parish connected after COVID?

Tentative plans for next meeting: May 19

- Mission planning
- Annual Report
- June council getaway

For the good of the cause: Kevin requests that all inform him of dates and changes so he can keep the website up to date.

After leading us in prayer, Sharon adjourned the meeting at 3 pm.

Minutes by Kathy Wolff

Minutes approved May 26, 2020