# PC 10/28/2020

**Church of the Redeemer - Pastoral Council**

7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m*. (Zoom call)*

**Mission statement:** Everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another. John 13:35

**Vision statement:** Through worship, service, community, and Word we strive to bring all people close together and closer to God.

**Present:**Tom Grasberger, Shirley Husz, Bob Kemmler, Robbie Prezioso, Dan Corso, Fr. Jim Cowles, Larry Cunningham, Laura Woodle, Chris Colville, Don Piacentini, Mary Anne Rutledge, Renee Reisenweaver, Rob Courter, Sue Hunrath

**Absent:** Dennis Fiore

**Opening Prayer:** Prayer was given by Don

**Faith Formation**

* Given by Chris Colville – Saints of the day today are St. Jude and St. Simon. These two men were companions in missionary work and ended up being martyred together.

**Approval of minutes**

* Approval of September minutes was given with no objection from the council.

**Committee Reports**:

* Stewardship: Reagan could not be with us but forwarded her report to the group. The item of interest at this point in time is the census that has been sent out. The committee is hopeful that it will be completed by mid-November. Ron Reger is heading up this process. At this time, demographics will not be a priority. The census document was emailed per family to the email address on record with the parish. Those that don’t have email addresses were sent through the mail.
* No other reports discussed.

**Finance Council Report:**

* Tom Grasberger reported that the FC has reviewed the cash flow expected through the end of the calendar year. At this time, things are looking fine – possibly running ahead of projections. There are 5 pay days in October, so that could bring forth a deficit for the month of October as we don’t have 5 collection weekends.
* eGiving is still showing better input than envelopes. September 2020 looked to be about the same as September 2019.
* Per the FC report, our Cathedraticum monies look to be under paid. There is a review to take place, and in the end the thought is that due to the money put into the rectory, we will come much closer to being balanced.

**Staff Report – Chris Colville:**

* Monday 11/2 there will be an All Souls mass and blessing of the bricks
* The Weds. Before Thanksgiving there will be a prayer service at 1 p.m.
* The current plan for Christmas masses is to have them Dec. 24th at 4 p.m., 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. Then on Christmas day at 10 a.m. Which one(s) to be streamed is being discussed.

**Feedback from parishioners**:

* Dan had heard from a parishioner that was not happy with the statement made by the Pope recently, and the fact that it was posted on the FB page for the church. No other comments or concerns were voiced.

**Strategic Plan** : discussion of focus areas deferred to the December and January meetings (financial stewardship, critical councils & committees, and communications).

**Fr. Jim Report:**

* Robbie & Greg Chittum lead a youth gathering earlier this month. THANK YOU from Fr. Jim. 16 Youth showed up in person and another 11 were there on line. They hope to have another one in November.
* Bricks are all being completed. There are 61 new names this year.
* An assessment of the facilities needs to take place. This should probably be done by the Facilities / Preservation committee. Fr. Jim will work on convening this committee.

**New / Other Business**

* We’ve collected money to donate to No Room At The Inn. The Stewardship council will be adding to that.
* PC elections: continue to be thinking about folks we can ask to be on PC.
* No retreat will take place in November. We hope to be able to do one after the first of the year.
* December is usually a social gathering with all of the councils – Stewardship, Parish, & Finance. That will not happen this year. As well, the November meeting is being moved to Dec. 2nd due to Thanksgiving.
* The PC was asked to review the documents put together by Don and Renee, and sent separately. These are proposed documents for operating principles / guidelines for the PC. The purpose of the document when finalized will be used as a guideline for future councils.

**Closing Prayer**

* Closed with a Hail Mary prayer.

**Next Meeting Date**: December 2, 2020 via zoom