# 12/1/2021

**Church of the Redeemer - Pastoral Council**

7:00 p.m. - 8:15 p.m*. In person*

**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:**, Larry Cunningham, Don Piacentini, Shirley Husz, Dan Corso, Bill Adams, Jessica Keck, Jennifer Kocik, Laura Woodle, Norm Carter, and Renee Reisenweaver (PC and Youth & Young Adult Ministry), Paula Otto (Strategic Plan).

**Absent:** Fr. Jim Cowles, Deacon Chris Colville, Reagan Penny (Stewardship Committee), Tom Grasberger (Finance Council), John Swierczewski, and Dennis Fiore.

**Opening Prayer:** An Advent Prayer

God of light and hope, look upon us in love, and fill us with the Spirit of Jesus that we may love you and serve you in your kingdom. Protect us during this week and keep us watchful in prayer as we await the coming of our Lord, Jesus Christ, who is the light of the world, and who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

**Approval of minutes**

Approval of October minutes was given and the minutes have been posted on the website.

**Committee Reports**:

**Finance Council Report:**

Finance Council did not meet in November.

**Youth and Young Adult Report:**

Renee Reisenweaver was present and provided this report.

YOUTH:

* Youth RE continues to have in person RE sessions on Wednesday evenings. Everyone remains healthy!
* Schedules are being adjusted over December for the Holy days and Parish events. Classes in December were able to incorporate Holy day services, No Room at the Inn, and Parish Reconciliation service.
* Young Adult activities will get more active in January.
* Confirmation retreat occurred on 12/4.

ELEMENTARY:

* All RE sessions are being held live. Presently, no zoom classes are being offered. Parents are given the option to homeschool for grades K-8 with materials provided.
* First Family Day occurred in November.
* First Communion and First Reconciliation higher sign ups then previous years.

**Stewardship Committee:**

Council did not receive the Stewardship report from November, notes will be included in January Minutes.

**Staff Report:** None

**Fr. Jim’s Report:**

* Father Jim was not present at the meeting due to supporting reconciliation services at neighboring Parishes.

**Feedback from parishioners**:

* None were brought to the council at this meeting.

**New / Other Business**

* Strategic Plan and Bucket List
  + Reviewed results from subcommittee meetings, Communications and Big Ideas/ Goals for future. Final idea list is being narrowed down to present to Fr. Jim.

**Closing Prayer:**  Closed with the Our Father

**Next Meeting Date**: January 26, 2022