



Parish of Saint Maximilian Kolbe

Thursday, February 11, 2021

Members in Attendance: Father Peter Joyce, Linda Bamberger, Elizabeth Crowley, Nadine Dempsey, Nick George, Jacquie Olansen, Marissa Sampson, Ab Vallese, Bill Zipparo

Opening Prayer: Linda Bamberger

Pastoral Council Facilitator: Bill Zipparo

Approval of Minutes: Nadine Dempsey made a motion to accept the minutes of the January meeting and Ab Vallese seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

- **Life and Justice Ministry:** The Life and Justice Ministry will present a Lenten Mission which will consist of several speakers on Zoom each Monday evening in Lent from 7:00 – 8:15p.m. Specific details will be available on the Parish website, in the bulletin including bios of the presenters. It was suggested that a blast email be sent to all parishioners to remind them of the presentations.
- **Solar:** Nothing new to report
- **Memorial Wall:** The Memorial Wall is scheduled for completion between February 15 and 29.
- **Covid Protocol:** The revised protocol allows for 35% capacity for meetings which opens the gathering to 75 in Immaculata Hall.
- **Cereal Bowl Drive:** 250 boxes of cereal were collected at the Church of the Resurrection with an additional amount (not specified) at St. Casimir.
- **Parish Senior Ministry:** Nadine Dempsey stated that a Focus Group is being formulated to continue moving forward with this ministry.

New Business:

- **Church of the Resurrection Webcam:** The hardware is in place. Father Pete is asking for volunteers with IT experience to video the various Masses.
- **Budget Preparations – Capital Projects - PPE:** Any major project over \$5000 must be included in the yearly budget. The application for the Payroll Protection Program (PPE) has been submitted as the Parish income is approximately 60% since COVID.

- **Donations to the Food Pantry:** Parishioners, community members, churches and local organizations have been overwhelmingly generous with donations to the Food Pantry. With increased funds, suggestions were made to provide Easter Baskets, assist the Rice Bowl, and provide food and diapers to the Life and Justice Ministry for those immigrants in need.

Information:

- **First Reconciliation:** February 18 and 20
- **Diocesan Reconfiguration:** To date, there has been no impact.
- **House of Charity:** Last year's goal was \$105K with \$81K being collected. This year the goal is also \$105K.
- **Knights of Columbus Wings and Raffle:** The raffle was a success with three local individuals winning a portion of the 50/50. Chef Mike and his sous chefs served approximately 1000 delicious chicken wings through take-out orders.
- **Ash Wednesday:** On February 17 ashes will be distributed by sprinkling over the head for those who wish to receive the ashes. The blessing will be conferred to all those attending Mass either in person or virtually.
- **The Light is On:** All parishes in the Camden diocese will be open at 7p.m. on Wednesdays throughout Lent for Confessions. In this way, individuals may visit any church they wish to receive Reconciliation.
- **Stations of the Cross:** The Stations will take place only at Church of the Resurrection on Fridays at 7p.m. with live streaming.
- **Feast of St. Joseph:** March 19th. Beginning March 11 thru March 19, the St. Joseph Novena will be recited at Masses as well as at 3:00p.m. being lived streamed. Father Pete has asked for families to volunteer to do the Novena while being videotaped for live streaming. Nadine Dempsey volunteered her family.
- **Palm Sunday:** March 28th. Palm will be distributed.
- **Easter Sunrise Mass:** April 4, 2021 Father Pete is waiting for approval to have Mass on the beach.

Final Thoughts:

Good information. Good meeting

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 11, 2021 @ 7p.m.

Prayer: Jacquie Olansen

Final Prayer: Father Pete