

St. Mark Pastoral Council Monthly Meeting Minutes

November 5, 2020, 7:00 pm [via Zoom]

Prepared by Amy Asseff, Secretary

In Attendance

Member	Present
Fr. Adam Zajac	X
Jani Cap - Chair	Excused [Retiring]
Dave Clifford – Vice Chair	X
Amy Asseff - Secretary	X
Tom Bodle	X
Karen Cocita	X
Briana David	X
Terry Henning	Excused [Retiring]
Deacon Dave Lundeen	X
Marian Lundeen	X [Retiring]
Anna Maria Masterson	X
Ed Morris	Excused
Nikki O’Sullivan	X
Mary Price	Excused
Halle Sullenberger	X [Retiring]
Mike Tucker	X

**Opening Prayer:** Deacon Dave

**Roll Call/ Welcome:** Roll Call Waived/ Fr. Adam welcomes

**Approval of Minutes of October 2020 meeting:** Approved

**Committee & Commission Reports:**

- **Education** Report by Karen Cocita
  - Students have been back in the school building for a month
  - 390 out of 430 total are in school (versus remote)
  - Some parents have tested positive for COVID – working on mitigating risks for transmission
  - Students have been "awesome" in cooperating
  - STEM lab is open and small groups are doing activities in the lab
  - Obtained a grant for the Pre-School
  
- **Liturgy** Report by Fr. Adam
  - Thanksgiving mass will be at 8:30 am on Thanksgiving
  - Planning for two masses on Christmas Eve and two masses on Christmas Day
    - Christmas Eve: 4 pm and 10 pm
    - Christmas Day: 9 am and 11 am
    - Gym will be available for additional seating if needed
  - Christmas Mass obligations are waived
    - Mass livestreaming will continue to be available

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Can also attend mass anytime during the Christmas Octave (December 25 through January 1)</li><li>● Will need additional volunteers for the following:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Eucharistic ministers</li><li>○ Post-Mass Cleaning/ Sanitizing</li><li>○ Greeters and ushers</li></ul></li></ul>
● <b>Social &amp; Recreational</b>	Deferred – will resume updates in 2021
● <b>Social Concerns</b>	Deferred – will resume updates in 2021
	Giving Tree Christmas Gift Donations will continue this year – will provide tags on tables in the gym after masses, rather than hanging on the tree as in years past <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Gift drop-off will be available</li></ul>
● <b>Spiritual Development</b>	Reports by Briana David, Deacon Dave and Fr. Adam <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● RCIC and RCIA is going well</li><li>● Briana and Deacon Dave have been conducting a "racial justice" mini-group discussion</li><li>● Planning an on-line Bible study for Advent</li><li>● Visits for shut-ins have been suspended until there is a decrease or stabilization in new COVID diagnoses</li><li>● Monthly Eucharistic Adoration is continuing<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ First Friday of each month</li><li>○ Only one hour to limit human exposure</li></ul></li><li>● Fr. Adam is working on a parish Zoom meeting to discuss Pope Francis' recent encyclical – <i>Fratelli Tutti</i></li></ul>
● <b>Evangelization</b>	Deferred
<b>Unfinished Business</b>	Deferred
<b>New Business</b>	WeGive Catholic – Northeast Ohio's Online Day of Catholic Giving <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● December 1 (Giving Tuesday) – ends 11:59 pm December 1</li><li>● Fundraising goal is \$15,000</li><li>● Funds will be used to upgrade technology to enable St. Mark to better provide online streaming of masses and other events, and to maintain outreach with parishioners electronically</li><li>● Email blast send to parishioners on November 6</li></ul> Annual Fiscal Report comes out in mid-November  2021 Pastoral Council election ballots have been counted and no recount has been called for <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● New Pastoral Council members will join at December meeting<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Virginia Greuloch</li><li>○ Joseph Stottner</li><li>○ Michael Kay</li></ul></li></ul>

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- Paul Gambon

2021 Pastoral Council officers:

- Chair – Dave Clifford
- Vice-Chair – Tom Bodle
- Secretary – Amy Asseff (incumbent)

Retiring Pastoral Council members – thank you for your dedicated service!

- Jani Cap
- Terry Henning
- Marion Lundeen
- Halle Sullenberger

Report on recent maintenance issues – Deacon Dave:

- Several trees near the pavilion need to be removed
- Purchasing a new key system for building entrance doors
  - May be able to obtain funds from a Rooted In Faith grant

Future Pastoral Council meetings – will continue to meet via Zoom until further notice and will continue to meet on the second Thursday on the month, unless there is a conflict

- Future meeting date – subject to change:
  - December 10, 2020
  - January 14, 2021
  - February 4, 2021 (first Thursday)
  - March 11, 2021
  - April 8, 2021 (Thursday after Easter)
  - May 20

**Open Forum**

Update on Holy Name Society's Socks/Underwear Drive – Tom Bodle

- Collected 65 t-shirts, 140 pairs of socks, 94 pairs of underwear, and \$240 in cash donations

**Good of the Organization**

Discussion of continued outreach to parish while social distancing is still mandated

- Zoom meetings
- Meal deliveries to shut-ins without contact (drop off on porch)
- Re-establish liaisons with parish subcommittees for reporting purposes and to develop parish activities

**Closing Prayer:**

Dave Clifford

**Motion to Adjourn:**

N/A

**Next Meeting:**

Thursday, December 10, 2020 at 7:00 pm – via Zoom