

## **SEAS Pastoral Council**

**Meeting on Monday – January 25, 2021**

**Mass at 7:00 – Meeting at 7:30**

### **PASTORAL COUNCIL GOAL 2020 -2021**

The Pastoral Council will plan accordingly for a return to normal as COVID 19 restrictions improve or adjust if they tighten: and for potential transition to becoming part of a cluster parish, by May 2021 Pastoral Council Meeting.

**ATTENDANCE:** IN PERSON: Ron R., John W., Fr. G., Culver B., Barb R., Bob R. and Debbie R. VIA ZOOM: Gail W., Bill C., Doreen C., Jeanne L., Steve M., Billie W., Angie C., Jean M. and Kiera W. ABSENT: Janice G., Susan O. and Terry P. GUEST: Sharon C.

**RECORDING SECRETARY:** Lynne H.

1. **CHAIRPERSON COMMENTS:** Ron thanked all for joining this evening and noted there is not too much going on at this time. A reminder was given that new members have a mail slot in the office.
2. **OPEN FORUM** - Guest – Sharon C.
3. **ADDITIONAL ITEMS:** None
4. **REVIEW /ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:** Debbie motioned to accept the minutes and Angie seconded and consensus was reached.
5. **OLD BUSINESS:** a) Vote on revised 2020 -2021 Bylaws. The Pastoral Council goal was updated in the Bylaws. A review of the Bylaws was discussed. Barb motioned to accept the review and Culver seconded and consensus was reached.
6. **NEW BUSINESS:** a) Proposal 21 disposition. The Executive Committee has determined that this proposal is not necessary to put in place at this time. EXPLANATION: Proposal 21 was brought to the Finance Council. The concerns were valid, but the Finance Council indicated in its November 9, 2020, meeting minutes, "SEAS is doing and has done an outstanding job regarding minimizing our expenses." Extravagant spending during the pandemic period of lower collections is the number one concern of the Finance Council and will be the deterrent to any non-budgeted expenses. The checks and balances that are in place should alleviate any concerns at this time.
7. **MONTHLY COMMITTEE/ STEWARDSHIP REPORTS**
  - a. **Liturgy:** Barb reported there was no meeting last month. Barb deferred to the minutes of previous meeting. Gail motioned to accept the minutes and Fr. G. accepted and consensus was reached.
  - b. **Social Ministry:** Gail deferred to the minutes. Debbie motioned to accept the minutes and Culver seconded and consensus was reached.

- c. **Parish Life:** Jeanne lost Zoom connection from sunny Florida! She did rejoin our meeting and reported no report at this time.
  - d. **Facilities:** John deferred to the minutes: Father G. commented that new LED lights are being used to replace burned out bulbs in the church, and they are much brighter and long lasting. Culver commented the parking lot has been cleared particularly well from November to January. Barb motioned to accept the minutes and Jean seconded and consensus was reached.
  - e. **Executive:** Fr. G. covered the Zoom meeting and it went very well. Jean motioned to accept the minutes and Gail seconded and consensus was reached.
  - f. **Faith Formation:** Billie deferred to the minutes. She added that 3 children did their reconciliation with Father G. February 6 and 7 will be Souper Bowl Day of Caring collection for Life Solutions. John motioned to accept the minutes and Barb seconded and consensus was reached.
  - g. **Finance:** Debbie reported there was no January meeting, and all bills are paid through January and February. \$530 from the Memorial Fund will be used to purchase new Lectionary books for the Parish to replace worn out ones. A Donor of a large amount has agreed to the use of these funds towards the books; In Memory labels have been placed in the books. The Tree of Love brought in \$675. The year-end statements will be e-mailed or mailed soon. CMA \$33,452 with 158 donors as of January 7, 2021. Bob motioned to accept the minutes and Kiera seconded and consensus was reached.
8. **PASTORAL LEADER COMMENTS:** Father G. reported there is approximately a \$10,000 deficit. Finance Committee has done a particularly good job of monitoring finances. Father G. also stated he will be giving a ZOOM presentation during Lent focusing on the Letter to the Hebrews. Sharon will assist in this program. CMA monies are coming along and a letter from the Diocese will be coming along to parishioners. Canandaigua Bank will be handling our accounts by the end of February. On Ash Wednesday ashes will be given out on top of the head rather than on the forehead and dispensed by Deacon Chris and Father G. Also, SEAS and Nativity will be sharing/listing their activities in their respective bulletins.
9. **OPEN FORUM FOR MEMBERS:** Bill supported Father G.'s recommendation to research the possibility of live streaming the Masses for parishioners to help with "connectedness" as well as financially. Bill stated this can possibly be done inexpensively with exceptional quality. Bill sees this pandemic lasting a while. Father G. commented people from Holy Cross have been conferred on this issue. Some monies may have to be put into fiber optics to move this project forward. John commented that microphones must be adjusted. Sharon commented on the issue of echoes in the church. Angie questioned if the Diocese could help with technical assistance in this live streaming project. Father G. will review our needs.
10. **CLOSING PRAYER:** Doreen shared a very thoughtful prayer to conclude our meeting.

Next Meeting: February 22, 2021; Mass 7:00 p.m.; Meeting Starts 7:30 p.m.