

**Our Lady of the Greenwood Parish Pastoral Council**  
**Minutes of the November 18, 2020 Meeting**  
**(Zoom meeting)**

**Members and Guests Present:** Fran Reiley, Judy Koch, Kent Clady, Helen Flanigan, Nathan Coulombe, Nicole Coulombe, and Fr. Todd

**Members Absent:** Dave Lekse, Ava Kalscheur, Matt Sierp, Rita Roush, Steve Pappas, Carolyn Gibson, Mike Kalscheur, Dominic D’Ettore, Maria Gomez, Mike Veenhuizen, and Stacie Hocker

The November meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council was called to order, via Zoom, by Chairman Nathan Coulombe at 7:10 pm.

**Opening Prayer:** Fr. Todd led the opening prayer.

**Minutes:** The October minutes were unavailable for consideration.

**Comments from Chair:** Nathan Coulombe noted that no quorum was obtained for this meeting. Nathan thanked Pastoral Council members for their flexibility and attendance during the Covid pandemic. He is pleased that the Adoration Chapel has reopened on a limited (M-W) basis. Nathan introduced the agenda and called for commission reports.

**Commission Reports**

**Christian Service:** No report this month.

**Faith Formation:** Helen Flanigan reported that various groups are still active, e.g. That Man is You, and the Saturday morning men’s group. Keith Syberg still seeks a Lenten speaker.

**Social/Family Life:** No report this month.

**School Commission:** Nicole Coulombe reported. Through November, there was one positive test of Covid at the school. Staff and families have made a good effort to take precautions. The school plans to continue in person learning for the time being. The school commission seeks one more member. The school website will be updated to include guidelines for keeping students at home. The silent auction is planned for spring. Due to Covid, both the Reverse Raffle and the Santa’s Shop will be held on-line. The school commission is reviewing its strategic plan. Kent Clady reported that the school is up to two (2) positive cases of Covid – one 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher and one support staff. The 2<sup>nd</sup> graders are on quarantine until after Thanksgiving.

**Spiritual Life:** Judy Koch reported that the Adoration Chapel is well organized and will restart the weekend of December 5th.

**Stewardship:** Fran reported that she and Mike Veenhuizen are meeting to discuss the future of this commission.

**Financial Report** - Fran Reiley discussed fiscal results. Despite Covid, the overall church net income is \$56,714 better than budget. OLG received a payment via the voucher program, in the amount of \$349,337, which

represents the first of three payments. Sunday collections are still below budget year-to-date. Staff will continue to address spending and promote holy day giving.

**Old Business:**

Candidates for Director of Youth and Young Adult Evangelization are being interviewed.

**New Business:**

Bathroom Cleaning – The new cleaning service has begun and crews of 4 to 5 have been spending 2 to 3 hours per evening (M-F) cleaning the church and school. The cleaners are still improving on their regular routing but Fran is pleased with them overall thus far.

Parish Council Study - Discussion Letter from Archbishop Thompson – There was no discussion on the Archbishop's letter due to absence of a quorum.

Roof and Maintenance – A discussion about whether to proceed with roof and other maintenance was held. Specifically, the group discussed whether to proceed with funds on hand or to start a parish capital campaign. There is concern that parishioners are financially strained due to Covid, and that a capital campaign may not be well received. It was decided that the feasibility of a capital campaign would be forwarded to the Finance Committee for review and suggestion.

8:25- Closing Prayer led by Fr. Todd

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Dave Lekse*, Secretary