

## Holy Trinity Pastoral Council Minutes

March 15, 2021

**Attendees:** Veronica Kelley, Pat Allfrey, Diana Graff, Nancy Koch, Lanny Ross, Lloyd Sandell, Ingrid Spencer

**Absent:** Carol Alcamo

**Opening Prayer:** Pat Allfrey

**Minutes:** All Members – February 8, 2021 Meeting Minutes were approved.

**Study Time:** Catholic Parishes of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Chapter 5 – Parish Administration. The members agreed that Holy Trinity is in an unusual situation without any full-time clergy but is blessed to have three retired priests to provide for the parish's sacramental needs.

Technology Committee: Lloyd Sandell

The Communication Committee is not existent any longer. There is a need to revitalize this Committee and to find new members with technical knowledge and experts in social media. This may happen after the COVID restrictions are lifted. Lloyd would like to have some input from other members and see the technology committee to grow. The website is being updated as necessary to promote the ongoing operations and events of our parish. The newly remodeled Sanctuary can accommodate 120 people per Mass at this time and in anticipation of more seating being needed for Holy Week Masses, live-streaming will be available on the three portable big screen TV monitors in classrooms 8 and 10 and in the Social Hall. Eventbrite is still being utilized for making reservations.

Faith Formation Committee: Pat Allfrey

The Confirmation Retreat with the NET team went well. They hope to have an in person retreat next year. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered to the Confirmation students this Sunday, March 21, at 3:30 p.m. with Father Jack, Father Dave, and Father Dennis offering Reconciliation.

Fifty-one people attended Ron Ryan's retreat last Wednesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> who presented "What does a Mature Catholic Look Like?" Twenty-eight people watched the retreat by livestreaming.

The Butter Braids fundraiser ended yesterday with 71 breads ordered. Help is needed for the distribution on the weekend of March 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. The proceeds will be applied to the Scholarship Fund and Lois will send out the 2021 scholarship forms soon.

Father Ron Hoye will be back at Holy Trinity on April 18<sup>th</sup> through 20<sup>th</sup> to present a Parish Mission on “The Main Thing is to Keep the Main Thing the Main Thing”. There will be two mission sessions each day: one in the morning and one in the evening.

The Latino community celebrated their first baptism March 7<sup>th</sup>. A second group will be baptized on March 28<sup>th</sup> by Father Dennis. Some nuns helped at Prince of Peace in Belfair with the Latino community and may be able to help at Holy Trinity. First Reconciliation will be celebrated March 13<sup>th</sup>, First Eucharist on May 1<sup>st</sup>, and Confirmation will be May 14<sup>th</sup>. All classes are doing well.

Finance Council: Veronica Kelley

Update: 2020-2021 Budget:

The budget is still evolving. Collections are picking up as people are returning to celebrate Mass in person. We continue to receive additional donations to the parish renovation fund which will enable us to upgrade some lighting in the Sanctuary. Also, more handrails are needed along the ramp in the Sanctuary. Adjustments need to be made to the sound system and heating systems. The landscaping in front of the church will be done and repaving of holes in the back driveway will be fixed.

The 2021-2022 budget process will be conducted in April and May with budget request documents being sent to the different departments for their input.

Update: Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) 2019-2020:

The \$2,000 owed to the Archdiocese is being paid off monthly.

Update Annual Catholic Appeal 2020-2021:

If all contributions are paid as pledged, we will not owe anything to the Archdiocese. The Archdiocese stated that it will reduce the amount for the 2021-2022 ACA by \$20,000 for each parish because the Called to Serve as Christ Campaign fund did well. Holy Trinity’s total contribution to the ACA will be \$112,000.

Liturgy Committee: Veronica Kelley

The Committee is planning for the celebration of Lent and is working on the changes the Archdiocese is requiring for Holy Week. On Holy Thursday there will be no washing of the feet.

On Good Friday parishioners are not allowed to venerate the cross by touching. During the Easter Vigil Mass baptism, multiple people cannot share water in the baptismal font. Instead, the water will be poured over each person. Two adults and one child will be baptized. Six people will receive First Eucharist and Confirmation and two will make their Profession of Faith. Singing is not allowed and social distancing must still be maintained.

The Divine Mercy celebration will be on April 11th, at 1:30 p.m. The Chaplet will not be sung and will include benediction. There will be no procession this year.

Social Justice Committee (SJC): Lanny Ross, Diana Graff

The SJC collected \$1,963 for the Pregnancy Resource Services. People liked using envelopes versus the baby bottles. There is a need for baby wipes and diapers sizes 4, 5, and 6. The Social Justice discernment will be at the June 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. Some transportation appointments for COVID-19 shots may be available by contacting Kathy Warcup in the Parish office.

Knights of Columbus: Carol Alcamo

The Knights held another food drive yesterday, which did well. They have collected over 30,000 pounds of food and \$29,785 total for all food drives. They have had a great response from volunteers. It is suggested to ask for specific items that are needed.

They sold 70 roses for Valentine's Day and collected \$250 for seminarians. They are planning a Spring Flower Sale for Mother's Day on May 9<sup>th</sup>. The Knights are providing meals for the Benedict House and the Birkenfeld Stella Maris house six to seven times per month. On April 17<sup>th</sup> there will be a Tootsie Roll Drive at the Silverdale Safeway. The Knights are planning a 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Men's Retreat at Holy Trinity on April 24<sup>th</sup>, with Ron Ryan presenting. The topic is "Meeting God in Challenging Times".

### **Old Business:**

1. Implementing Engaged Church & Stewardship/Discipleship Committee
  - a. Discipleship Committee Report  
They completed the Mission Statement and continue to meet monthly to define their Vision Statements.
2. COVID-19 Concerns:
  - a. Update from the Archdiocese – as of March 22<sup>nd</sup> we will enter Phase 3.
3. Married Couples Retreat – Tabled Temporarily

4. Called to Serve as Christ Campaign to Support the Priest and Retired Sisters Medical and Retirement Campaign Fund – Update  
The Archdiocese campaign at Holy Trinity was very successful and donations are being received as pledged.

**New Business:**

1. Retreats and Missions

Ron Ryan presented a great retreat which was also live-streamed. Veronica will ask Ron to come back at the end of May to make a presentation on getting through difficult times.

2. Safety Issues – Active Shooter in Church – TABLED

3. Year of the Eucharist – Next Steps

Father Hoye will address this topic during his April Parish Mission

4. Discernment will be in June

The discernment process will be modified this year. As directed by the Archdiocese, each parish must have a Pastoral Council and Finance Council. All other consultative bodies are to be called “committees”. Holy Trinity will modify the title of each consultative body as required.

Each council or committee will conduct their discernment in June either separately or at a regular meeting or a special meeting. The focus will be on what we do in the specific council or committee with a facilitator. There will be no witness talks this year. As usual, interested people will be contacted ahead of time and invited to the council or committee meeting.

5. Future Meetings and Prayer Leader List:

a. Opening Prayer: Diana Graff

b. Closing Prayer: Lloyd Sandell

6. Member Concerns and Needs

Sign up for Penance Service is currently available on line.

Sign up for Holy Week will be listed soon. One extra Mass will be added for Easter Sunday at 1:30 p.m.

A Spanish speaking priest will be available sometime after Easter (specific date is not yet known, but will be before June 30<sup>th</sup>) to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Mass with our Hispanic community.

**Closing Business:**

Next Executive Committee Meeting is Tuesday, April 6, 2021, 10:00 a.m.

Next Pastoral Council Meeting is Monday, April 12, 2021, 10:00 a.m.

**Closing Prayer:** Veronica Kelley

Adjournment: All