

Holy Innocents Parish Council

Zoom Meeting 7:00PM 6/25/2020

Attendees: Laura, Karen and John McCarthy, Ginny, Maryanne Dowd, Steve Busby, Ginny Brentano, Mary Law, Maria Fitzgerald, Fr. Gorman, Mike Fischer, Rebekah Lee

1. Updates (Fr. Gorman)

- a. Parish
 - i. Fr Gorman thanked those who helped with cleaning of church and counting
 - ii. Lectors and Eucharistic ministers return to mass in July
 - iii. Fr. Dunleavy will be with us for about a month
 - iv. We have a signed contract for the front door; work should be completed over next three months. Planning to sign a contract to repair the doors at OLP
 - v. Church attendance is averaging 40-60 people in person per mass
 - vi. Parishioners have continued to be generous and we have seen an uptick in We Share participation.

- b. Religious Education
 - i. Waiting for guidance from Archdiocese regarding if and when CCD can begin
 - ii. First Communion – proposed 10 families at a time over multiple weekends beginning in August
 - iii. Confirmation will take place September 15th & 16th

2. Old Business

- a. Membership (Laura)
 - i. We have several possible new members. We will confirm and finalize the list this summer

- b. Fundraising
 - i. Potential virtual fundraising ideas include tag sale, virtual wine tasting, or perhaps a small in person wine tasting, and parish cookbook
 - ii. Shoot-a-thon – John McCarthy has been in contact with the archdioceses and there is a program that can be used for a basketball fund raiser. It is possible do a remote shoot a thon at home or possibly at the school courts. Primarily will be children in CYO but not required to be a member to participate. Participants can email out the solicitation letter to family and friends asking them to sponsor them with donations sent directly to the Parish. Would like to set a minimum amount to participate but will have a maximum of \$100 per family. Event would likely start in September. Maryanne suggested we have a goal to mention and Fr. Gorman mentioned possible ideas including the kitchen project or the Church endowment.
 - iii. Raffle - Discussed possibly moving the raffle to an earlier date, currently planning on 10/18. Will this be too much to have it so close to the basketball? Laura suggested

that we should wait and evaluate how we are doing with the virus and see how we should go forward as in-person church attendance is important to selling tickets.

- c. *Parish Council Constitution* – As previously discussed, Mike Fischer and Maryann Dowd will work together to draft a document and work together with Fr. Gorman to finalize.

Meeting adjourned with prayer at 7:40pm.