

April 20, 2020 PPC Meeting (Zoom)

Attendees:

Kelly Schulz
Chris Gould
Brittany Pesce
Father Dave Harris
Robert Englert
Craig Vermost
Charles Stafford
Matt Simon
Debbie Abbott
Brennan Daugherty
Mike Ahrens
Jackie Hornstein
Ted Bordador
Brooke Borders
Ann Sherman
Leann Magre
Stephanie Davis

Absent:

Kelly Dean

Motion to approve March 9th minutes
Minutes approved.

All-Hands Reports

Robert Englert, ACES

Aces had a luncheon in February and a church meeting in March. We are shut down by coronavirus until social gathering restrictions are loosened. Every member of the Aces is in the most vulnerable class and many live in nursing or care Homes or communal residences that have visiting restrictions in place. Under the best of circumstances, we hope to meet again on July 3rd in the PLC.

Aces had a luncheon in February at Owl Creek CC in Anchorage. - the food and the service were superb and all attendees wanted a return visit.

We had an Aces' meeting on March 6 in church (observing social distancing) with 50 attendees and we covered many items and plans and events (see minutes on parish website). We had a Focus Group meeting (observing social distancing again) on March 10 - unsure but still planning ahead for the April 3 luncheon at Big Spring CC.

By March 12 and because of coronavirus, we canceled that event and advised our membership that no events would happen until after Easter. Prior to Easter and with the virus problems and restrictions growing, it was decided that all Aces' events are canceled until further notice. We've canceled our meeting in the PLC on Oaks Day May 1 and our luncheon of June 5.

Every member of the Aces is also a member of the most vulnerable class for coronavirus. We have no idea what the future holds but it is likely our age group will be the last to become unrestricted. Many of our members live in nursing or care or retirement homes where egress and visitation remain restricted. Under the best of circumstances, we hope to meet on Friday, July 3 in the PLC for an Independence Day celebration, luncheon and meeting. We have made tentative plans for that remote possibility.

On behalf of all disabled persons and the Aces in particular, I want to thank Fr. Dave and Larry Brunner, the PPC, the Finance committee and all involved for the changes made to the front of the PLC. It will really enhance access to the entire building for all.

FD: How is the spirit and attitude of the seniors so far? Managing to communicate despite circumstances. Maintaining phone tree and focus groups

Focus groups: 12 people from age groups 60, 70, 80 and 90's, many who have served and meet to plan events, working on bylaws.

How many have access to online liturgy? 240 people/devices should be able to access but are lacking the skills to view on our website.

Emily B. has provided ACES with written instructions to access FORMED and our website.

Craig Vermost, Finance

February numbers received are a little ahead but March numbers were flat on tithing.

Larry Brunner, Parish Business Office

Tithing

Through April 12th we were \$47,000.00 down to budget.

Most of this was due to the first two weeks that mass was not held.

Since that time tithing has become more consistent mostly due to email efforts promoting ways to give.

The Stewardship Committee continues to meet online to discuss ways to address the shortfall.

Budget

Budget worksheets were due in the office last Monday

We are still missing a couple organizational budgets

This will be a very tight budget where we will be looking to decrease expenses to meet current tithing levels.

Lisa will be inputting budget numbers over the next two weeks.

Picnic

We were able to meet one time prior to the Coronavirus issues beginning

We have a very "seasoned" committee so if we had to make it work last minute I would not have an issue. With that said it does not look favorable for the June 19th and 20th date.

The Gaming Commission Has suspended all gaming activity until further notice.

Capital Prize and Split the Pot tickets are printed and ready to go. Unfortunately with the Gaming Commission mandate we cannot begin to sell.

The picnic is budgeted as a \$65,000.00 income, so it is a big impact on the budget if we were not able to have this.

We will need to look at possible alternative dates. Possibly replacing Family Day in the Fall?

CEF - families will receive info in 2 to 3 weeks, could there be reconsideration? There is an appeal period.

Safety Committee

We have not met since the last All Hands meeting.

Chris Wahl is going to create a class for our church ushers using the information gathered from our meeting.

This would be a first step in utilizing what we learned from our fall and winter meetings.

With the current climate this is put on hold.

Parish Life Center

Thanks to a generous donation from a parishioner we were able to install two handicap ramps for the gym and PLC entries.

We were also able to replace the three compartment sink in the Warming Kitchen with a deep three compartment similar to what we have in the gym concessions.

The parish staff continues to work remotely as per the Archdiocese guidelines. It has its challenges, but is working out.

FD:

All capital projects have been put on hold per Archdiocese.

Classrooms have been deep-cleaned

Will St. Albert need masks as we move to the future? No direction from the Archdiocese as of yet. FD thinking minimum of July for restarting Mass.

Thinking of ministries to serve our parishioners with creating masks, providing food, acknowledging front line workers, etc.

Small Business Administration, working with Archdiocese for small business loan, didn't make the cut for the first round but are in the queue for this time and we are able to get into the program. 50 parishes have been approved so far (out of 120), 85 have applied. They are forgivable loans.

Phase 1, 2 (no more than 50) and 3 of reopening and how it pertains to St. Albert: No updates from Archdiocese as of yet on Phases. May 1st Archdiocese is coming out with a report. They have been waiting for direction on schools (which came today).

Possibly offer financial/tuition assistance for families that parish can supplement those in need come the beginning of the school year.

Matt Simon, SAAM

SAAM in a good financial position, may need to refund \$15 to \$17K for spring sports, refunded k-2 soccer and track, waiting on softball and 3-8. Expecting not to have spring or summer sports but still awaiting to hear from CSAA. Would it be possible to ask for donations out of fees to help SAAM? Google Form may be developed to ask parents. Goal this year was to try and make each sport cash flow positive.

Had 2 ½ Fish Frys, lost money due to cancellations.

Summer - baseball, field hockey and golf.

Fall Sports - sign-ups and practices start in summer. Waiting on CSAA before deciding. Scoreboard is not in yet.

Debbie Abbott, School

School canceled for the remainder of the school year, last day May 15th.

Meeting tomorrow with the 8th grade steering committee to focus on the 8th graders.

Two letters have gone out to the 8th grade parents.

Meeting with teachers every week.

Looking toward next year, and closing out this year. Teachers need to get into the building to take their classrooms down and how to facilitate.

623 enrolled for 2020-21. Waiting to see how that is impacted by COVID19.

Ellen and Debbie at school everyday and meeting with the School Board regularly.

FD: How are calls to families coming along? Debbie and Ellen reaching out to check on families and see how they are doing.

Getting more guidance from the Archdiocese on homework and how to proceed with grades. Letter going to parents (mostly geared towards 8th graders).

Admin wants kids and parents to know they will not fall behind, and teachers will supplement and tutor.

Superintendents met with the Governor today at 2pm. No word on if online school would continue in 2020-21.

Charles Stafford, School Board

Exec board meeting with Ellen and Debbie to act as a soundboard for ideas to deal with the current situation.

Work Plans have been difficult, no significant progress here.

Board wants coming back to school next year a great experience, so how can they help Larry?

JH: 2020 is the year our church turns 20 years old.

PPC REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

Ann Sherman - SAAM, No Report

Brennan Daugherty - Finance & Facilities, No Report

Brittany Pesce - Children

Staff meeting is Tuesday, April 22, 2020

Emailing to PREP families and teachers/staff everyday.

Monday Mystery

Tuesdays Tips for families

Wednesday are Science Devotions

Thursday Children of the Liturgy Worksheets and Gospels

Friday Fun Day (Build and blanket prayer fort)

VBS

Unsure if this can take place but considering a virtual VBS with following website:

Catholic Brain from our Sunday Visitor

Annual \$1500 subscription for bible stories, summer lesson plans, quizzes, games, puzzles, etc.

Sacraments

Looking at next year's calendar:

August opening of PREP

Need to First Reconciliation for 2nd graders (in fall), maybe in October?

September 8th grade Sponsor Retreat

October Confirmation Retreat 8th graders

First Communion in November

Mission Trip

June trip canceled

Nursery

Children's Liturgy

Brooke Borders - Stewardship & Communications, No Report

FD: Group is meeting together, Emily is working to

Stewardship renewal this month but possibly moving to next fall.

FlockNote working well, live streaming is good, trying to enhance it for the next 2-3 months.

Ellen and Debbie working with teachers in religious formation to have students watch the live stream mass in replacement of children's mass.

CS: Can FD do a 5/15 Closing School Mass for the kids to close out the year.

Chris Gould/KS - Social Concerns

Had a meeting in March. Blood Drive did go well and are talking about having another event.

Once we are no longer quarantined, the group anticipates a large need. Three months from now, Food Banks will be vital, homeless people

BB: Work to gather items while at home? Canned goods, etc? Drive by birthdays?

Jackie Hornstein - Worship, No Report

Kelly Dean - Adult Small Groups, No Report

Leann Magre - Youth, No Report

Emily L is hosting Zoom meetings on Sunday evenings, Friday Fun and Wednesdays too.

Mike Ahrens - Pastoral Care

I think most of our pastoral work is taking place virtually through the daily messages that have been sent from the parish as well as live streaming of services. I am sure there will be a report regarding these activities from someone closer to this work than me. I will be able to report on the progress of the RCIA. We have continued to meet weekly via Zoom and will continue with classes until we are able to return to church. We have plans in place to baptize and welcome our new members once we are able to celebrate Mass in person. Our group was supposed to have entered the Church last Saturday so this has been a difficult time for them. We still have the whole group with us.

FD: How is the mental health of your RCIA group? Stressed, doing jobs from home, with kids doing online school. May be facing family issues.

Adjustment issues, “new normal” will be difficult to navigate, probably through 2021.
How can we show support to our First Responder parishioners?

Stephanie Davis - School, No Report

Ted Bordador - Adult Formation/Large Group, No Report

Father Dave- Parish

Action Items, Concerns:

May 18th, 7pm, Strategic Planning Meeting

Please submit your report on our Google Drive (in your Pillar folder) so we can use the entire time for Strategic Plan.

FD: Relook the Ministry Pillars and consider how our situation may change how we approach and serve the areas the best way in the next 6 months to a year.

June 15th, 7pm, PPC Meeting

July 30th, 6pm-9:30pm, PPC Summer Workshop

Closing Prayer