

## Pastoral Council Meeting – October 17, 2019

### Liturgical Life

#### Old Business:

- Mass on 1<sup>st</sup> Friday's is going well with Benediction. With attendance high, and mass running about an hour and fifteen minutes. **Update:** Msgr. Howell has confirmed he will assist on First Fridays beginning December 6<sup>th</sup> and thereafter, as his schedule permits.
- Gary Robinson's Acolyte installation taking place on Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at St. Phillips. Gary's next step is Deacon.
- 1<sup>st</sup> Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup> is All Saints Day- anointing at end of Mass, but no Benediction.

#### New Business:

- Per Rick O. – Cuong is currently working on the stand for the new monstrance.
- Father stated Andrew will not be leaving after all and will be providing music per Mass and on contract.
- Stan proposed scheduling 3 EM's to do Sunday home visits due to increase in homebound parishioners (12) at present.
- Father stated not enough EM's at the altar and Stan advised there's only one individual that is not currently serving at the altar.
- 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent The blessing of the wreath and lighting of candle will take place at all Masses after the Prayers of the Faithful for the benefit of our parishioners. 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent for the remaining the blessing and lighting will take place after the entrance music and before the beginning of the Mass.
- December 8<sup>th</sup> is the Immaculate Conception but it is NOT A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION
- December 12<sup>th</sup> Mass time for Our Lady of Guadalupe is 7 AM. There will be a potluck breakfast after the mass in Room A.

### Parish Life

#### Old Business:

- Fall Fest was a success. Thank you to all who generously donated, money, time and talent.
- Parish: The religious education building bids were very high and way over what was budgeted. The plan was reviewed and changes made to bring down costs and it will be sent out to be re-bid. Doug will contact John and anticipates the changes will bring in reasonable bids to fit our set budget.

#### New Business:

- The Knights will work with the Altar & Rosary Society to set up the Christmas Manger at the Altar. A&R will help with this endeavor while there to conduct the cleaning of the church. Announcement will be made for any others interested in assisting. Date for these activities is set for Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>.
- St. Paul's Annual Appreciation day will be Jan. 11<sup>th</sup>. All members present in agreement to do as was done last year for a Potluck Dinner with St. Paul's supplying main course/ beef dish to be catered. Tea, water and soda will be served.
- Father requested each ministry select one of the members to form a "mission committee" for the purpose of assisting other parishes within the CC Diocese who are in need of help. Jody mentioned St. Theresa is having a Spook Fest and attending this event is one way of supporting that parish.
- Father requested the names of the Mission Committee by provided at our next meeting, December 5<sup>th</sup>.
- Father proposed a retreat trip for all St. Paul's ministry members to San Juan de Valle. A bus would be taken and for an overnight stay. Room accommodations are available on site at a cost of \$25. 00 per night.

- Request for a co-chair for the Ethnic Festival was introduced. A parishioner was mentioned and Rick O will reach out to that individual if interested. **Update:** Monica Frisco will be the new co-chair.
- Ethnic Fest: Rick O will put out a list of chairs to be filled and the particulars that chair entails for the upcoming Ethnic Fest scheduled for April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020.
- Rick O put forward a need to reach out to new parishioners and requested a list of registrants from the past three months. Parish Office will work on the list and forward to head of all ministries. **Update:** Listing of new parishioners provided as requested and sent out
- Rick proposed another "movie Knight" in December. Looking at dates of Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> or the 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Juanita asked if a note could be posted in the kitchen in the parish hall to put up dishes after washing. Approval given. **Update:** It was later determined that code dictates dishes are to be left to air-dry. Due to the time it will take for dishes to dry it's not unrealistic to have users wait around to complete the task.
- Discussion was held about the rental of hall to new parishioners and non-parishioners. The final agreed upon was that the hall would be made available to both new parishioners and non-parishioners. Rates for parishioners remain the same. However, rates increased for non-parishioners for both the deposit and hourly rental rate at \$125.00.
- Inquiry was made if Christmas Caroling for homebound would take place this Christmas. The response was yes and a reminder that St. Paul's has 12 homebound parishioners to visit for planning purposes. No date set at this time.
- Nelly will be directing the Christmas Play and requested use of the hall for the event. It will be held Saturday, December 21<sup>st</sup> at 3:30 PM with the play being recorded for Father to view at a later time.