

St. Francis Xavier Pastoral Council
Tuesday February 9, 2021– 6:30 p.m.
Zoom Teleconference

In attendance: Ken Boller, John Karle, Belinda Conway, Karen DeMasi, Michelle Jung, Catherine Wolfe, Stephen Alfieri, Ron Oberdick, Patrick Egan, Kathleen Cagnina, Andrea Foley-Murphy

1. Pastor's Report

- Increase in wedding dates being scheduled
- Elevator Contract in place, work expected to commence this summer
- Ash Wednesday safety protocols in place, plans to make info available on lenten liturgies via hard copy and electronically (QR codes) in back of church on Ash Wednesday

2. Census Report—discussed insights from most recent census, and decision not to produce annual report due to limited responses this year. Will include overview in upcoming pastor's letter in bulletin. Significant number of respondents expressed interest in becoming parishioners. Plan to ensure acknowledgement of remote viewers of live-streamed mass

3. Planning for PC Discernment—Some interest has been expressed but more candidates and recruitment are needed. Planning for next information session on March 15th, 7 PM

4. Long Term Financial Planning—small group from Pastoral Council will work with members of finance committee to work out priorities and timeline.

5. Discussed need for a structure and possible paid staff member for supporting youth ministry and young adults ministry

6. Ministries Retreat Follow Up

- Consensus on need for focus on youth and young adult ministry support
- Plans for accessibility best practices for upcoming meetings
- Vaccination support for parishioners/welcome table
- Actively reaching out to people/ministries who have not been as active during covid
- Celebration of 10th anniversary of The Women Who Stayed
- Consolidating other notes and discussions from retreat to circulate

7. Projects Update – Under Way and New

- St. Charles Borromeo—awaiting updates to determine next steps
- Just Faith—New session underway now
- Racial Justice Ministry —survey to identify next book
- Art in the Church —proposals continuing to come in
- Deliver Us—still under discussion
- Hopper House—relocated to hotel in Brooklyn, plans for outreach in the works

8. Closing Prayer – Belinda Conway