

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

In attendance: Belinda Conway, John Karle, Karen DeMasi, Catherine O’Hagan Wolfe, Fr. Ken Boller, Stephen Alfieri, Ron Oberdick, Pat Egan, Andrea Foley-Murphy, Michelle Jung, Kathleen Cagnina

1. Pastor’s Report

- Lent—great variety and breadth of activities happening. Uptick in mass attendance, close to capacity on a recent Sunday. Seeing more young adults returning to in person masses.
- Preliminary Planning for Hurtado Hall Restrooms—hope to start project summer 2021
- Note: 500th Anniversary of Ignatius’ Conversion—begins April 5-6, year-long celebration in conjunction with the Province.

2. Vaccine Ministry update—Parishioner who proposed forming the ministry has gathered 25 volunteers in training and getting ready to make announcement to parish in upcoming bulletin. Discussion of how to offer to Welcome Table, and partnering with other parishes.

3. Census Report –Census was taken during 12:05 PM weekday masses, plans in the works for 7:45 AM weekday masses soon.

4. Planning for PC Discernment—announcement of next information session on March 15th has gone out. Discussion of personal outreach to individuals to encourage them to discern.

5. Long Term Financial Planning—Finance committee will rotate members soon, recruitment of new members is underway.

6. Ministries Retreat Follow Up

- The Women Who Stayed—no new updates, will continue outreach/contact.
- Youth Ministry—recent meeting/discussion with staff about activities of youth ministry, plans for 12-17 year old group to have conversation with pastoral council after Easter.
- Young Adults-- still being assessed, as many have left NY area, need to build more connections to form a group to have conversation with. Potential avenues include JVC group and/or Jesuit college alumni network

7. Projects Update – Under Way and New

- Catholic Anti-Racism Project (CARP) –video of Boreta Singleton’s presentation at St. Charles Borromeo available online, participation in Lenten Examen and stations of the cross has been robust
- Racial Justice Ministry—hosted stations of the cross, advocating against solitary confinement, other efforts
- Art in the Church –proposal deadline coming up, following up with potentially interested artists. 14 Proposals submitted to date. Committee will meet this week to discuss proposals and which artists to follow up with for more information.
- Deliver Us—on hold until more people vaccinated and comfortable gathering in person

- Hopper House—plans being discussed to possibly meet on site in the future

8. New Business

- Fratelli Tutti—discussion of statement from Catholic Bishops on protection of LGBT youth
- September Celebration—considering a tentative plan for 2nd weekend in Oct.
- Oral history project—plans continuing in light of increased vaccinations

9. Closing Prayer – Karen DeMasi