**St. Alphonsus Parish Council Meeting Minutes – Unofficial**

**May 19, 2020 6:00 pm**

**Members Present** – Don Peters, Bobby Glenn, Tiffany Powers, Shelly Blandford, Christina Dant and Fr. Anthoni Ottagan. Absent were Nicole Murphy, Jessica Green, David Sinclair, Kevin Clouse and Johnny Warren. Susan O’Bryan was also present for this meeting.

Fr. Anthoni opened the meeting with a prayer.

Tiffany asked if everyone had reviewed the December minutes. All present had. Christina motioned to accept the minutes and Bobby seconded the motion. All present concurred.

**Committee Reports**

**Faith Formation:** Christina presented a report from Sr. Vivian Bowles – Sr. Vivian is planning on discussing the sacramental dates with Father. She said online resources were sent out for students to use at home during this time.

Fr. Anthoni let us know that the Bishop has had to cancel 35 Confirmations during this time and trying to reschedule him will not be feasible. But he is allowing parish priests to conduct the Confirmations with approval. Fr. Anthoni has been in contact with all of the Confirmation families regarding this. Since a there is a large overlap of Confirmation families with First Communion families Fr. would like to celebrate these sacraments together. The Council decide to schedule Confirmation and First Communion for Sunday July 26th. The time and details of who will be allowed to attend will be discussed at a later time.

**Youth Group:**  Christina presented a report from Barbara Thomas – Youth Group will participate in the May Procession on May 31st. They are not currently planning to do Cow Pie Bingo this year. They will likely try to hold the Stockholder’s dinner later in the Summer.

**Music Ministry & Liturgy Committee:** Fr. Anthoni reported that currently we are only using 2 choir members at each mass to adhere to social distancing guidelines. They are working on the May Procession and the Corpus Christi celebration at St. Elizabeth’s June 14th. Fr. is not planning to livestream masses going forward unless he sees that there are many parishioners choosing not to come back to mass. Sunday obligation is still suspended but weekday masses also count for this right now.

**Finance:** Susan handed out statements for April 2020 along with a copy of the 20-21 Budget and the SBA Paycheck Protection Loan Budget. We have been approved for $21, 212.00 for the SBA federal loan. 75% of this must be spent on salaries/wages to qualify for forgiveness, which we are on track to meet. The 20-21 Budget shows the budget for regular collection the same as the previous 2 years. Tiffany is checking to confirm what our OCS assessment will be for the next year as Susan used an estimate for the budget. The full hall and OCS payments were made for April and we are on track to make full payments for both in May as well. In May we received the first half of the SBA loan. Collections during this time started out slow but have come up over time. Susan would like to have a fundraising meeting to discuss how we will proceed with the picnic and other fundraisers for the year. The meeting date was set for Monday June 1st at 6:00 at the Parish Hall.

**Buildings and Grounds:** Fr. Anthoni reported that all is well.

**Catholic Schools:** Tiffany reports that they are planning for the upcoming school year as best they can as well as working through the tuition assistance applications.

**Social Concerns:** Fr. Anthoni reported that the committee is still working with the homebound. They also had a diaper drive to benefit local charities on Mother’s Day weekend.

**Old Business**

Ornaments and T-shirts for Jubilee – Shelly presented a design for the t-shirts and the council agreed to move forward with the project. Tiffany will get prices to report at the fundraising meeting 6/1.

**New Business**

Susan went over the changes that are being made to be able to resume in person Mass. We have ordered a cleaning machine and thermometers to use going forward. We have masks and hand sanitizers on hand as well. If anyone can volunteer for ministries, please let Susan know. We need ushers as well that will take temperatures as people enter church. The collection basket will not be passed, it will be at the back of church. There will be no one carrying up the Gifts, they will be at the altar at the beginning of mass. Books will be distributed as you come in.

The next meeting will be at 6:00 pm Tuesday June 9, 2020. \*Please note the date change\*

The meeting was closed by Fr. Anthoni with a prayer and the meeting was adjourned at 7:26 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shelly Blandford