

Pastoral Council Meeting  
November 9, 2020

We will not be meeting this month. But I wanted to send you some reports so that you know what is going on in the parish.

- Hispanic Report:** Hopefully you noticed the Altar for the Dead that the Hispanic Community put up in Church. We thank them for sharing their culture with us. There will be changes to the celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe on December 12. There will be a mass at Midnight on the night of the December 11. And then they will share some form of simple, yet safe food following mass.
- Social Action:** They have started asking for Christmas Cards to send out to parishioners. They will have the Giving Tree this year it will be in Church on the weekend of December 6.
- Building and Grounds:** We are still hoping for a completion date on the front entrance of Thanksgiving, but may possibly be Christmas. They are making good progress. We have had roofers in this week to look at the roof of the Church. It is time to replace the roof on the Church, at the earliest this spring. We are taking bids at this time.
- Youth Report:** The Youth continue to meet with a wide variety of activities. They had mass with Fr. Shonis under the pavilion followed by games. They have held an ALPHA session. They have plans for the holidays and are continuing to practice safe gathering practices.
- School Report:** The school continues to be a safe place with no COVID cases attributed to the school itself. Classes are going well and they welcomed two new students on Monday, November 2. The School Council set up two more Drive-Through Dinner Dates: November 13 will be pulled pork and December 11 will be a Fish Fry. You will be able to go to the School website to order. The School Council is also working on setting up Goals for the Council.
- Liturgy Committee:** They will be meeting on November 16, at 5:30 pm to plan for Advent and begin planning for Christmas.
- Pastor's Report:** The Cemetery Committee met on October 15. On the Agenda was taking out some trees that have died, we have contracted the work and it will be done as soon it can be. One of the members met with Andy Rideout who is the UK Extension Horticulturalist. Mr. Rideout has offered a mapping tool and he would guide us as to what and when to replace trees and recommended road and bench placements. This would give us a long range plan, as well as what currently needs to be done. This is a free service. We are also looking into

adding another Mausoleum and Columbarium. When the present one was built the advice was when this one was half full to build the second one. We are over half way full and so we are beginning to look into the matter. We received a bid from the company that did the first one and it is approximately \$160,000. We are still looking into the cost and the need. They are also looking into the cost of cemetery lots, we try to stay comparable with the city prices.

Numbers at the masses are still down and will probably stay down with the number of COVID cases that we are having. At this point there is no sign of when the church may put the obligation back into place, my guess would be that they will do nothing until our COVID cases start to decline.

Family Life Committee They cancelled Trunk or Treat due to the continued high number of COVID cases. And they continue to look for ways to bring parish families together or for projects for families.

Adult Education November 14, Fr. Tony Shonis will conclude his series on the Book of Revelation.

Next Meeting: December 14<sup>th</sup> due to the Holyday on the December 8<sup>th</sup>.

Fr. Larry McBride