

**OLPH Parish Pastoral Council
Meeting Minutes
March 15, 2021 7:30 pm via Zoom Conference**

PPC members present:

Fr. Jerry Boland		Mark Cullum	X	Steven Schmidt	X	Cindy Moody	X
Fr. Larry Basbas		Tim Daniels	X	Tom O'Brien	X	Bob Pirsein	X
Fr. Patrick Kizza		Lisa Salemi	X	Susan Logan	X	Mike Wycklendt	X
John Nicolau	X	Maria Grable	X	Tom Monticello	X	Mark Ruchniewicz	

PPC Mission: OLPH is a family of believers in Christ who strive to live according to his teachings. We take as our mission in the world the living out of the Gospel of Jesus.

Opening Prayer was Offered

Approval of Minutes

Mike Wycklendt presented the February minutes to the members of the PPC. A motion was then made to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and the minutes were approved.

Update from the Pastor

Father Boland was unable to attend the meeting, so Susan Logan provided the update.

Marathon of Masses During Holy Week

Susan reported that the COVID protocols will remain in place for Holy Week and Easter. To accommodate as many attendees as possible, there will be a marathon of services.

Ongoing Recruiting of PPC Members

The PPC is still seeking nominations for new members, and will be scheduling meetings with prospective candidates. PPC members are encouraged to continue to recruit possible candidates.

Other Updates

The budget process has begun in earnest, and Mary Lynne Januszewski, Director of Finance & Operations, expects to complete the budget within the next few weeks.

The pastors from OLPH, St. Norbert's, St. Catherine's, and Our Lady of the Brook will be having a preliminary meeting for Renew My Church.

Cardinal Cupich will be presiding over the annual mass with the Saints Peter & Paul Greek Orthodox Church in Glenview.

Deanery Update

Maria Grable attended the Deanery meeting on Wednesday, March 10. The meeting was heavily focused on Renew My Church. Several of the parishes will be going through the Renew My Church process and are wondering what might happen with their parishes, and if the outcomes will be anything like what happened to some of the other Northwest Side parishes.

Finance Council Update

Tom Monticello provided the Finance Council update. Tom reported that April 16 is the due date for budgets. The school seems to be closely attuned to the budget and is running a deficit, in large part due to the modifications in operations due to COVID. The parish is ahead of budget. The Needy Family Fund has a surplus, and the Playdium revenue is beginning to bounce back. Religious Education, like the school, has a deficit. Tom also reported that collections are doing great, the Annual Catholic appeal is still in process, that the Finance Council is looking for new members, and that, as Father Boland pointed out at the last meeting of the Council, interestingly, Canon Law requires each parish to have a Finance Council with members appointed by the pastor.

Other News and Events

John Nicolau commented on how the security is being upgraded at the parish. Cameras will soon cover the entire campus

Tom O'Brien commented on YouTube videos he reviewed containing comments and feedback from other parishes on the Renew My Church process and offered to send the links along to anyone who is interested.

New Business

There was no new business to discuss.

Closing prayer was offered.