

## Parish Council Minutes – June 25, 2020 Meeting

Present: Father Perez, Burrous Snelling, Keith Robinson and Eleanor Ames by phone  
The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Keith Robinson. Father Perez led us in an opening prayer. The minutes of the March meeting were reviewed and approved.

### Old Business:

- In-House Parish Directory – Almost everything has been put on hold until after we are back to normal operations.
- Parish Feast Day- Visitation or Perpetual Help? This is still undecided.
- Spring weeding project- A thank you goes out to Susan King for her efforts in taking care of the flower beds.
- Renovating Blessed Mother statue and circle - Susan and Don have been researching it but they need to know a dollar amount which will be allocated for this.
- Church office, and confessional - Father Perez indicated this is still up in the air due to the crisis.

### New Business

- Finance Council- Father Perez
  - The parish family has been very generous during the pandemic so our finances continue on in good shape. We were even able to add to our DIAL account. It was mentioned that if parishioners pay with PayPal through their checking account, there is no service fee to the parish. Burrous suggested people look into using BillPay through their bank, which will automatically send a check to the church. This could cut down on the number of envelopes we use for the parish. We discussed having Kathleen check with the company we have contracted with to do envelopes.
- Facilities Upgrade/ Repair projects update
  - Security considerations- cameras, etc. Burrous is to look into security cameras for the church and grounds. He said we should also consider hooking system in so that we could do live mass broadcasts from our own church if we go back into quarantine again.
  - (Corrected – Sept Meeting) Covid-19 protocol for OLV. The mandate from the Governor and the diocese also says we are to use them. Only those with medical reasons will be excused from wearing masks.

- HVAC- Fan motor may need checked as Burrous noted there seems to be a vibration in it
- Lining parking lots- On hold, but suggest Kathleen contact Petit Paving and another local paving company to get a bid for professional lining the parking lot.
- Doors for church-on hold
- Downspouts and drainage-on hold
- Church portico-on hold
- Bathroom renovation-on hold

### **Website Usage**

Eleanor Ames provided statistics about website usage for the last 30 days. There were:

- 457 visitors to the website, 385 of those were new users.
- Page Views: 1595
- Visitors: New 77% Returning 23%
- Top Refers: pinterest.com, lm.facebook.com, facebook.com, flocknotes.com
- Device Used: Desktop 49%, Tablet 4%, Mobile 47%
- Most read pages:
  - Luray VA Catholic Church Home Page-526
  - Weekly Bulletin- 212
  - Finding Jesus in the Temple and In Our Lives:67
  - From Our Pastor - 67
  - OLV News - 65
  - Announcements - 63

**Next meeting:** Next meeting will be on Thursday, September 17 at 7 PM in the Church meeting room.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned and closed with praying the Our Father.

Eleanor Ames, Secretary