

Our Lady of Peace Parish Finance Council Meeting – October 19, 2021 at 9:00 am
On-site Meeting

ATTENDEES: Rev. Mark Baron, Dave Bertram, Mike Clark, Bill Lucas, Sandra Sobotka, Bill Chromizky and Kellie Moore -Business Manager.

Opening Prayer

1 – Fr. Mark opened the meeting at 9:00 am with a prayer. The September 2021 minutes were approved by the council.

2 – Parish Business

The Sunday offertory actual vs budget for FY 21-22 was reviewed. Through the third week of October 2021, the offertory is at a budget surplus of \$5,638 through week 16. The 21-22 weekly budget is \$17,000. The number of parishioners using the online donation service has increased to 372 donors. The FC will review the offertory history from January 2020 through current fiscal year to date at the December 2021.

3- Pastor's Report

Fr. Mark and the council discussed a proposal from a stewardship company to initiate a year end stewardship plan for 2021. The council recommended at this time that other stewardship companies be considered and interviewed in early 2022 instead of contracting with the proposed firm. The council recommended the engagement of the new parish pastoral council also be considered before contracting with a stewardship firm.

Fr. Mark updated the council on the August 12, 2021 meeting with the Diocesan buildings committee regarding the parish master plan. At this time the DOJ presented Fr. Mark with an administrative plan for 2021-2022 they would like to see implemented to ensure the structure is in place for a future capital campaign at Our Lady of Peace.

Fr. Mark updated the council on Divine Renovation and his progress with the consultant. At this time, the consultant has completed his scope of services with Fr. Mark and the Senior Leadership Team. Fr. Mark is working with a newly formed Parish Pastoral Council to discern membership and roles.

3 – Religious Education

The current enrollment for Religious Education is 162 students. Fr. Mark has resumed the role of Director of Religious Education and the Business Manager has assumed the role of administrative support for the 2021-22 program. Three sessions are being offered on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. The RE program is currently operating at a surplus budget due to the savings in lay staffing. All on site and virtual classes have catechist and aides assigned to teach.

Financial & Other Reports

Food Pantry

Year to date donations through September are \$18,867. Donations are down \$6,747 from September 2020. The food pantry continues to serve 50-60 families per week from our surrounding communities.

CMAA 2021

The parish surpassed its 2021 annual goal of \$95,000. Current pledges are \$163,429 from 576 donors through October 18, 2021. The current rebate the parish will receive is \$43,206.

Planned Giving

The council discussed the need for a committee to offer planned giving and estate planning information to the parishioners and assist them in parish giving.

Fr. Mark closed the meeting with a prayer at 10:30 am.

Next Finance Council Meeting – December 13, 2021 at 9:30 am