Attendance: Connie Chau, John Curran, Fr. Ray Fleming, Mary Fran Kolbuc, and Meg Lute

Excused: Bob Passalugo and Best Batchateu

Opening Prayer

Roundtable Discussion - Facilitation Team members’ status – Since Team has not had a meeting since October, 2021, this was an opportunity to catch up on everyone’s lives, health & well being

Approval of 10/20/21 Meeting Minutes: The minutes were approved unanimously

**Fr. Ray’s Updates:**

* Fr. Ray noted that parishioners are increasingly returning to in person Masses
* CMA
	+ St. Monica is currently at 70% of Goal
	+ Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget’s & Emmanuel Church of the Deaf have reached their goals
	+ It is to be noted that St. Monica’s goal has been increased while the goals for Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget’s and Emmanuel have been decreased
* Plate collection has remained strong both by parishioners attending Mass as well as an increase in on-line giving
* Carol Wynn has applied for government grants to assist with salaries. Previously, loans were granted, which have now been forgiven.
* School leases continue to provide needed financial assistance/income
* Fr. Ray remarked on the good morale of staff and their heroic efforts to keep things going during difficult times. The addition of Jessica, Margot & Angela to staff have all been very positive.
* Continued efforts to form & improve relationships among the 3 parishes are “plugging along”.
* February 11th & 12th revival co-production will be held online & conducted on Zoom, led by a Josephite priest from Los Angeles.
* Retreat being planned for 2022 as a joint activity with Immaculate/St. Bridget’s
* Rochester Black Coalition, facilitated by Diane Dinkins-Lourette, while not supported by the Diocese, are making their best attempt to become more active & involved, particularly in the Immaculate/St. Bridget’s parish.
* No update regarding Synod available at this time; Updates can be viewed on line on DOR website

**Ministry & Activity Updates:**

* Lent
	+ Outdoor Ash distribution to be conducted again this year.
	+ 6PM Mass at Immaculate & 8AM Mass at St. Monica on Ash Wednesday
	+ Joint activities for the 3 parishes include an Easter Vigil with Immaculate.
* Faith Formation
	+ Activities resuming/continuing – lively practicing for Youth Mass – small group but going strong
	+ 5 youth are preparing for First Penance and several preparing for Confirmation
* Welcoming Committee – limited activities available do to ongoing COVID situation
* Legion of Mary
	+ No update – no in person meetings currently scheduled – due to COVID they are not able to visit shut-ins
* Social Justice
	+ Recent SWEM Christmas basket distribution was well supported and much appreciated
	+ Coat giveaway, although delayed due to inclement weather, was conducted, primarily outdoors, well supported & received
	+ REACH Homeless shelter initiatives includes housing at Sts Peter & Paul Rectory, Willow Bank as well as facility in Phelps
* Buildings & Grounds
	+ Group has met 3 times since December with members of Immaculate/St. Bridget’s as well. Additional meeting scheduled for 2/3/22.
	+ Implementation & use of timelines & spreadsheet has been useful in planning upcoming/ongoing projects
* Creation Stewards – Margot is the liaison for these efforts. Planning activities for Lent to support ecology efforts advocated by Pope Frances.
* CYO
	+ Going well & Jessica involved in another tournament
	+ Recent Mass included blessing of the players
* Westside Farmers Market
	+ John requested - & obtained - Fr. Ray’s OK to resume the 2022 Farmers Market in the Spring (125 days away!! 😊 )
* Storage of materials from 7th day Adventist Church
	+ Lawnmowers, snow blowers & sound equipment currently being stored in St. Monica garage
* 125th Anniversary Planning – Nothing further other than drawing together archive information. Currently low key – just starting the ball rolling

**New Business:**

* Joaquin Flores’ granddaughter’s wedding to be held at St. Monica’s church
* John suggested John Bellini as a potential new Facilitation Team member. He has been most helpful with activities such as cleaning up homeless shelters. Although he is currently out of town, Fr. Ray to ask for his interest in joining the Team.
* Fr. Ray has been approached by faculty of St. Bernard’s to assist with 3 students, currently studying to be Deacons, in their efforts to learn to prepare & deliver homilies. Fr. Ray has agreed to this and is looking to get group together on several Mondays, including Facilitation Team, to attend, evaluate & provide feedback on their efforts.

Closing Prayer

Next Meeting Date – Wednesday, March 9th, 2022 @ 6PM (Continue Zoom Meetings?)

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