

## Pastoral Council

Oct. 28, 2020

There were problems with the Zoom meeting so Tuesday, Nov. 24 at 7pm we will meet in the parish hall. There will be individual, socially distanced tables for each member.

Faith Formation - new packets are available for pick up in the church. These also include age appropriate and family Advent materials. On line classes and attendance have been going well.

St. Vincent de Paul – aiding 10-15 families per month. Blankets were taken to Common Threads for distribution to the needy. No Veteran's gathering this year due to pandemic. Will be doing the Christmas giving tree.

Knights – Coat collection has done well. Thursday Nov. 5 there will be “Zoom with the Knights” so people can learn more about what they do and ask questions. There will also be Knights available after Masses Nov. 7-8 to talk with anyone interested in the Knights.

Facilities – WiFi for the church is to be upgraded so we can broadcast Masses and other events. The church roof has lasted since 1975 but is in need of replacement. The diocese has helped with evaluating the roof and a report is expected this week. This would be a project for next year. First quote for removal, replacement and new gutters (old ones are leaking) is \$37,375. We have sufficient funds in Major Repairs to cover that, thanks to the generous support of our parishioners over the past several years. So there is no need for appeals.

Holy Land gifts will be here the weekend of Nov. 7-8

More funds are needed for providing Christmas gifts to the Ardmore residents (people with mental disabilities or limitations) who we have cared for the past decade.

It would be very helpful to have some volunteers at 4:00 and 10:30 to help people find open seats. Please contact Fr. Bob if you can help. Also if you are seated at

the end of a pew and there is room in the center please allow people to easily move past you.

Christmas –

1. We will need two volunteers at each Mass to help people find open seating in the main and west naves.
2. We hope to be able to live stream the Mass to the parish hall for the 4:00 Christmas Eve Mass and a minister would bring communion to the hall.
3. After the 9:00 Christmas morning Mass, Fr. Bob will remain in church by the west wing doors that open under the canopy. Individuals or Families who do not feel safe attending Mass are welcome to come and receive communion for Christmas. Either remaining in their cars under the canopy or coming into church to receive communion. Fr. Will be there until at least 10:30 only leaving after it has been 10 minutes since the last person. People are also welcome to take pictures of family/children in front of the Nativity.
4. Fr. Bob will mail a letter to all parishioners once plans are finalized.