

Minutes
Parish Council of St. Philip/St. Teresa
June 30, 2021

Present: Fr. Bala, Joe Conway (Chair), Hal McGuirk, Sid Tarango, Mary Griffith (Liturgy),
Diane Schwab (Recorder)

Opening Prayer by Fr. Bala

Approval of Minutes of the Joint Parish Council/Finance Council Meeting, June 15, 2021

Opening Roundtable Discussion – Group

All members present shared ideas, concerns about parish issues. Our goal is to insure that everyone is able to provide input at future meetings.

Reports

Rural Food Program – Hal

Due to a decrease in family participation, a hybrid plan is being considered to offer the choice of actual shopping as well as delivery to cars. Volunteers feel safe with the program. Publicity promote our program in the community is being considered.

Liturgy Committee - Mary

Committee is looking ahead to seasonal activities, as well as lector preparation. A “Blessing of the Animals” was proposed for October.

Finance Council – Fr. Bala

On-line donations remain strong and a donation support for the Music Program is being planned. A bookkeeper is being recruited, four hours per week.

New Business

Mass Attendance

Outreach to parishioners who have not returned to services is being planned, an email message “how are you, we miss you” is being developed. Many people are participating in on-line services but are missing the Eucharist and community connection.

Recruitment of Volunteers

Hal will develop a flier specifying the volunteer services needed – plumbing, electrical, gardening, bookkeeping.

Thanksgiving Celebrations of Church Re-opening

St. Philip’s: After Mass gatherings have started and participation in increasing.

St. Teresa’s: A social event will be held after the Sunday Mass on August 15.

Parish Picnic: Postpone planning until 2022.

Potential Fund-Raising Activities

“Celebrate” – Status uncertain for January 2022

“Brainstorming” – Yard Sale in the Parish Parking Lot

Next Meeting: To be announced

