

## PPC Update Aug 4, 2021

The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) met on May 8, 2021, via ZOOM. Among the items discussed was the need to think ahead to fall of 2021 in anticipation of COVID restrictions being eased.

Accordingly, parishioners were invited to join a focus group with Father Steve in June to discuss hopes, dreams, and potential challenges during our gradual return to a "new normal". Ideas and insights gleaned from the discussion centred around a few key themes, including creating a welcoming and safe "return to Mass", building community, providing program opportunities to deepen understanding on topics such as the Eucharist and Mass, and preparing for larger gatherings, including funerals. The group also discussed practicalities such as health and safety precautions, food service restrictions, maintenance of the building, and parish finances.

The next PPC will be held Sept 11, 2021, at 10 am in the Parish Centre. PPC meetings are open to parishioners who wish to attend as observers. Guidelines for the PPC and Parish Finance Council are available on the Archdiocese of Regina website. We anticipate the release of updated guidelines in the coming few months.

Submitted by Karen McBride, PPC Chair