



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

*Leading People to Jesus Through Worship, Community, Service
and Devotion to Mary*

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

2020-21 END-OF-YEAR SUMMARY

GOALS OF INDIVIDUAL COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR 2020-21

- Increase parishioner participation in Parish Commissions
- Increase engagement in the parish community of parishioners across all age groups and life stages

EVANGELIZATION EFFORTS AND RESPONSE TO THE DIOCESAN REAL PRESENCE REAL FUTURE

INITIATIVE - Arranged the presentation *Lean In: Why Jesus is Important – Highlights from the January 2020 Diocesan Millennial Church Conference* by former Council President Heather MacKinnon; Promoted participation in the fall 2020 Diocesan/Catholic Foundation Survey for Catholics Disengaged from their Faith, winter 2021 Diocesan Disciple Maker Index, and the April “Missionary Discipleship in the Parishes” event by Fr. Adam Streitenberger.

ACCOMMODATIONS RELATED TO COVID - Conducted 7 of 9 meetings via Zoom prior to safely returning to in-person meetings beginning May 12; Made recommendations regarding safe participation in the Christmas and Easter liturgies, parish Corpus Christi celebration, and for postponing Vacation Bible School to 2022.

PROPOSAL PROCESS FOR FACILITATING PARISHIONER IDEAS FOR NEW PARISH ACTIVITIES - Approved an official process and packet (available on the parish website), with guidelines and forms, for completing the proposal process; Reviewed 2 official Proposals: 1) Oplatki Christmas Wafer event - recommended tabling until fall 2021; 2) Virtual I.C. Community Rosary - recommended approval .

PASTORAL COUNCIL & COMMISSIONS MEMBERSHIP AND PARTICIPATION - Approved the document *PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL AND COMMISSIONS: AN INTRODUCTION* (available on parish website) describing the purpose and processes of I.C. Parish Commissions and Pastoral Council ; developed strategies to recruit new participants for the three commissions; Clarified the process, timeline and requirements for nomination of new Pastoral Council representatives and the offices of Council Vice President and Secretary; Developed strategies for identifying potential nominees to Council and the two Council offices; and Recommended approval of the slate of nominations for new Council members, Vice President and Secretary.

PARISH COMMUNITY BUILDING – Recommended 3 potential recipients for the 2020 Giving Tuesday funds; Began discussions for building a new sense of parish community post-pandemic; Identified a strategy for collaboration among Commissions on proposals when necessary; and brainstormed possibilities for a dedicated strategy for welcoming and supporting new parishioners.