

Pastoral Council Minutes

May 9, 2017

Present: Anna Buckley, Tom Weathers, Mary Grosdidier, Janet Campbell,
Cheryl DeVillier, Tina Jinkens, and Robyne Pippert

Opening Prayer

Updates:

Knights of Columbus:

- Purchased new appliances for the rectory. Total was \$908.00 for dishwasher and microwave.
- New officers have been elected.

St. Theresa's:

- Palm Sunday Potluck, RCIA reception, graduation reception, and the Easter basket raffles are all completed. 21 graduating seniors and only 9 attended. Very low attendance at the graduation reception so there were lots of donuts left over. St. Teresa's is looking to make possible changes to the RCIA and graduation receptions next year due to late time frame and low numbers the last couple of years.
- There were 2 funeral dinners last month.

Finance Council:

- Minutes are on the website
- Budgeting time – if there are any budgeting items, repairs, or expenses, please let Cheryl know

Thank you notes:

- All up to date: will make one to Knights for the rectory appliances

Old Business:

By-laws for councils, ratification:

- Finance council requested some punctuation and grammar adjustments.
- Janet moved to ratify, Mary seconded motion – By-laws were signed by all council members present this evening

Mission statements, approval:

- Janet moved to accept, Mary seconded, all in favor, passed

Rectory remodel:

- Nearly finished. Two cabinets to install, counter tops, back splash, tile, and then appliances. Carpet should get installed within 3 weeks.
- Fr. Mike is going to start staying in the rectory off and on.

Education Center construction:

- Nothing new. Committee to meet before any construction begins.
- Council members agreed that we do not want to rush this project and of the importance of doing it well.

Employees' evaluations:

- Fr. Mike has the information and will be meeting individually with each employee.

Youth ministry position:

- Filled – Julie Johnson accepted and is starting as youth minister. She will work with the high school students and will coordinate LifeNight. Molly will work with kindergarten through 8th grade. Both are equal positions that report to Fr. Mike.

Sidewalk steps warning paint markings:

- Completed

Freezer being donated to Catholic Charities:

- Waiting for Catholic Charities to move buildings and have space available

Liturgical Minister attire during Mass:

- Mary wrote and provided suggested language, council approved for communication to all liturgical ministers.

Usher to close doors prior to Mass:

- Mary provided suggested language for ushers, council approved for communication to all ushers.

Parish Cleaning Day:

- April 29th, 15-20 people participated, raining so work completed inside. Lots of wax on pews and floors from candles used during Easter Vigil Mass. Consider different options for candles next year.
- Need group to clean while Aubrey is gone. Janet/Mary working on that

Janitor closets:

- Cleaning, organizing, ordering/stocking supplies: no update

Adult Education: Fr. Mike is doing

Fundraiser:

- For Fr. Pats items – probate was filed on April 26, 2017.
- Council has been asking about probate and working to gain information.
- We need a list of all items and determination of who has legal ownership of said items.
- Suggested we get items appraised
- Consider what type of fundraiser to do

Second Capital Campaign:

- We pay \$7,420.31 each month for principal and interest on the loan for the new church. We have funds to make about 17 more monthly payments. The loan balance is \$1,254,032.82.

- Suggestions were to ask new parishioners for contributions, to ask existing contributors to extend their pledges, and begin a new pledge drive.
- Possibly generate a committee for this.

Stone Church repairs, check if grant money is available

- No updates

Bulletin - revisions/ideas:

- Add reminder about online giving
- Add reminder that hall rental document is on the website
- Add reminder about checking with the office before borrowing old brown tables

New Business:

Keys:

- Continuing to track and monitor who has keys to the rectory, church, and parish office building.
- Reviewed a list of people who have keys. Update info.
- Ask those with keys that are no longer needed to please return them to the office.

Wifi in rectory:

- Council approved adding wifi to the rectory for Fr. Mike's use

Unbound:

- Parish is sponsoring a young girl. Cost is \$36/month. Finance council will add to the budget. Pastoral Council will follow up and may ask for help in writing letters to the girl.

Calendar of events:

- All groups are asked to submit their calendar events for the upcoming year starting 7/1/2017. Many activities will be coming up and we would like to prevent overlaps, if possible.

Fees for religious education and vacation bible study:

- Decided not to ask for fees for either Religious Education or Vacation Bible School since forms have already went out.
- Suggested to ask for monetary donations when requesting donations of supplies.

New location to hang Archbishop's picture:

- Suggestions were the hallway in the Upstairs Parish Hall, Religious Education center, or in back of the church
- Will gather information and opinions before hanging anywhere

Security guards for hall rental

- Mary will get a list of approved security guards to have available in the office
- A security guard is required to be present during hall rental if alcohol is served

Rosary Prayer cards

- Request to purchase *Mysteries of the Rosary* cards. Would like to put in the pews for parishioners to take during this Marian month.
- Council approved

Communion to the home bound

- If someone is home bound and needs communion, please contact the office so we can make sure we are adding those people to the list.

Next meeting date - June 13th, 6 p.m.