

April 08, 2024
7:02pm

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

In Attendance

Fr. Joe, Kathy Burton, Linda Petitpas, Erica Zapatka, Ellen Cole, Bob Brinkerhoff, Al Taday, Bob Grissom, Larry Ghirardi, Lizzy McCarthy, David Wohlmuth

—Ex-Officio: Louise Young, Jean Wilczynski,

—Guest: Patty Whitcomb

Opening Prayer

Old Business

1. Approval of Minutes

- Corrections to Minutes
 - **Parish** has Reserve Investment Account (*Not Finance Council*)
 - Finance **Council**, not Finance Committee
 - Removed reference to meeting with Facilities Committee
- Kathy motioned to approve changes, Larry seconded

2. AED Updates

- Kathy said Sharon needs sign ups by April 14th
 - Fr. Joe said that 26 people signed up so far
 - **CPR Class: April 16th at 7:00pm**

3. Retreat Dates

- **September 28th** = Best day that works for Retreat

4. Parish Life Coffee/Pro-Life Candy Sales

- Lizzy will contact Walking with Purpose to see if interested in hosting Coffee Hour
- Candy Sales —> made **about \$500**, which will go to Pro-Life Committee

5. Picnic Update (June 29th) — Bob G, Bob B and Al

- Bob B contacted musician for Picnic —> confirmed for **1-4pm**
- Al spoke at last weekend's masses and will be at a table after masses **this** weekend
 - Would like to have contact info in a **Picnic "Save the Date"** bulletin announcement
 - Will meet with committee and start planning = end of May/early June
- Council discussed games and activities for Picnic for all ages
- Erica suggested making a flyer for Faith Formation students to bring home to families
- Men's Club Pancake Breakfast for Faith Formation students —> **April 28th**
- Bob Grissom will contact St. Vincent de Paul regarding partnering for Picnic

6. 20th Anniversary Celebration

- Kathy met w/ Janet and Ralph Sturges & John Smith to help plan the fundraising component of celebration. (Sturges ran the 10th Anniversary fundraising challenge)
- Must set a goal first!
 - Should the goal be to pay down the mortgage or establish building maintenance fund or endowment?

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20th Anniversary Celebration (Con't)

- Jean W says parish has a reserve fund of about \$450,000 that is outside of regular checking accounts and the Graves and Paracelsus funds.
 - Invested through Merrill Lynch and only accessed for covering large expenses (like our share of diocesan bankruptcy fund or major maintenance).
 - “Endowment” would probably not work in this case; maybe better to pay down mortgage and free up other funds for maintenance — probably new roof
- Kathy and Fr. Joe agreed there should be a fundraising committee... fundraising committee will set the goal/purpose of this fundraising event
 - Three parts: Liturgical (hoping to get Bishop Cote), Fundraising, and fun Celebration
 - Advertising should begin in the fall
 - **Fundraising Committee Members:** Lizzy and Al; Ellen and Kathy have put some names together too

7. Building Concerns — Linda

- Linda reached out to Ron —> Ron will start working on wiring for Handicap door, and will meet with contractors to work on the leak by tabernacle

New Business

1. Parishioner Concerns

- Linda poses possibility of more missalettes; says parishioners feel left out and would prefer to participate during mass
 - Ellen: USCCB and Diocesan directives state people should be *listening* to Word of God, not reading it.
 - Some people cannot hear in church and would like to have a missalette to follow along
 - Fr. Joe thought this topic would be better to bring up at the Liturgy Committee

Pastor Comments

- Fr. Joe discussed Senior Center request for use of our facilities
 - Seniors would like to use our facility for lunches (June and July, 3x/week)
 - Fr. Joe has worries b/c of Insurance issues
 - Fr. Joe will also consult the Diocesan insurance representative
 - Other groups (Ex: Con Brio, VFW) provide insurance waiver
 - Council discussed different views in the community that CTK is not welcoming
- Comedian David Kane —> **April 27th, 6:00pm (followed by 5pm mass)**
 - Kevin Hogan needed help selling tickets (\$15/pp)
 - Al Taday volunteered to help sell tickets after the masses this weekend
- Great job to Al for speaking at mass about picnic!

Next Meetings: *May 6th, June 3rd?*

Prayers for: Fr. asked for prayers for special intentions

Closing Prayer