

Minutes of Parish Pastoral Council Meeting February 6, 2018

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order by Nick Dahler

Opening prayer by Father Michael

Roll Call: Father Michael Wolfbauer, Tom Howard, Nick Dahler, Sarah Dahler, Lisa Cash, Mary Bemis, Karen Kampa, Cindy Niess, Sara Kolden, Pat Gehling

ABSENT: Adam Winkelman, Keith Kantor, Bob Hendricks, Keith Kotsmith

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND AGENDA

One entry corrected on December minutes – motion made by Pat Gehling – seconded by Sara Kolden
To approve minutes – all approved.

One item added to agenda – motion made by Tom Howard to approve agenda – seconded by Sarah Dahler – all approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance:

We are currently about 60% through our fiscal year and have used 56% of our expense budget. Our income is \$3000 ahead of last year at this time. The current balance on the Emmaus Trinity Center loan is: \$255,037.84 – we are close to making another \$10,000 payment (principle and interest).

Donations for the fire suppression system are at \$30,000 which is so greatly appreciated!! This should cover the bulk of the expense however, there will more than likely be unexpected expenses.

Faith Formation:

K-6 continuing with Blest Are We books. Some grade levels will be incorporating Lent, Holy Week, and Easter in their classes or for take home.

2nd graders received the Sacrament of Reconciliation and are now preparing for First Communion on April 14th and 15th.

7 & 8 grade are studying the Bible via the program “Encounter”. They are also preparing for Reconciliation in the next 2 weeks.

9-11 grade students are studying the Sacraments as well as Liturgy. They will be preparing a meal and serving it at the Place of Hope in St Cloud on Good Friday and making Birthday Bags for children of families in need.

RCIA culmination will take place at the Easter Vigil

SJAS Report:

Thank you for allowing us to host the Christmas program in the church. Upcoming events: Soup Fest scheduled for February 24th; Garage Sale March 9-10th; Spring Breakfast April 22nd. Catholic School Week was very successful. The Day of Giving generated \$525.00.

Fire Suppression Update:

Pat Dombrovski presented copies of the second proposal and contract with Summit Companies for the council to review. Tom Howard made the motion to accept the proposal and move forward with the project – all approved.

Parish Pictorial Directory:

Pat Gehling and Sara Kolden reported the final draft will be ready by February 9th.

Ham Bingo:

Tom Howard reported the bingo has been scheduled for March 4th – volunteers are needed for the event.

Valentine Dinner:

Lisa Cash reported the event is scheduled for February 13th – Lasagna dinner will be served with a movie to follow.

Parish House Update:

Nick Dahler reported a second appraisal has been received and forwarded to the Diocese for Bishop Kettler's consideration.

Bazaar Survey:

Sarah Dahler presented a list of all the recommendations that were made – these will all be considered in the future planning of our Bazaar.

Diocesan Planning:

Father Michael reported on Pastoral meetings that have been held concerning the present and future of the Diocese – with emphasis on how we can sustain 131 parishes with a projected 57 priests under the age of 70. As a parish we are asked to consider alternatives that will continue to maintain a Catholic presence in the 16 counties of the Diocese of St Cloud.

Pastors Comments:

Diocesan Appeal Campaign approaching; Lenten and Easter schedules to be mailed to parishioners.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Fire Suppression Update

Ham Bingo

Valentine Dinner

Winter Carnival

Pictorial Directory

Diocesan Planning

Bazaar

Parish Elections

NEXT MEETING: April 10, 2018

Motion made by Tom Howard to adjourn – seconded by Karen Kampa – all approved

Closing prayer by Father Michael

