St. Patrick's Parish Council Meeting Tuesday, December 5, 2023 6:00 p.m.

AGENDA

Opening Prayer

Accept previous meeting minutes: motion by Mike, seconded by Butch to accept will the correction to 5.c.

ACTION: one correction to minutes was for 5.c. the word "times" should be "lines"

1. Pastor's Report

- a. **Deposit Safe:** Update on installation and use -- Butch reported that we have the safe and it is currently in the cabinet, however it is not installed securely.
- Upcoming Events: St. Patrick's Mass on December 17th will be presided by Bishop Robert Barron for the Installation of Fr. Andrew Vogel. Parish will provide a breakfast for all following Mass.
- c. Christmas Eve Mass: 6:00 pm
 - Caledonia St. Mary's will celebrate Mass on Christmas Eve at 4pm and 9pm and Christmas Day at 9:30 am
- d. Mass for December 10th a Seminarian will preside

2. Parish Finances

a. Weekly Deposits: Update on status.

The weekly deposits by one of the counters is going well.

b. Presentation of Financial Reports: Debi

Motion to accept: Motion by Mike to accept financial reports and the proposed technology budget of \$3,000, seconded by Bill

- 3. Parish Outreach/Environment (Jean)
 - a. Parish Outreach:
 - Current community outreach: Youth Caroling, Youth visits to Nursing Home, Parish monthly donations to Semcac Food Shelf, annual Baby Bottle Campaign, 2023 Trunk 'n Treat event
 - Needs of parishioners -- none noted
 - 2024: Soup Supper during Lent -- Each Tuesday during Lent (February 20 to March 26) will provide outreach with soup deliveries and dine in following Stations of the Cross. Last year 60-68 meals served each week.
 - Council would like to bring up to CCP potential for donations to approved charities during the year. Jean will present and bring back at a future council meeting.
 - b. Parish Environment:
 - Décor: November and Christmas Season

4. Buildings and Grounds

- a. Butch's Updates:
 - Cleaning of Hall floor status of batteries -- Butch has not had the opportunity to check the batteries, but will try to have the Hall cleaned prior to Bishop Barron celebrating Mass. Butch asked if a Mass Announcement on December 10th would ask for volunteers to remove the hall furniture following Mass on Tuesday, December 12th.
 - Carpet on steps at Rectory status -- not complete, will work to complete in the Spring.
 - Door at Sacristy -- Have the door, just has not been installed yet.
 - Cemetery Grounds -- Butch reported that there are trees overgrown at the Cemetery and he would like to cut them back. Council agreed, however, requested that another person must be with him when doing so.
- b. Bathroom Sinks -- (Karen) -- Karen reported that she was able to obtain 2 quotes. The second quote has not arrived in writing. When Karen receives the second quote she will send out an email to council and a comparison between the quotes will be reviewed.

Members

Name	Present
Fr. Andrew Vogel	Х
Bill Fitzpatrick, Trustee	Х
Karen Kohlmeyer, Cemetery	Х
Trustee	
Jean Meyer, Chair	Χ
Mike Moriarty, Trustee	Х
Butch Shuda, Contract	Х
Maintenance	
Debi Shuda, Parish Staff	Χ
Bookkeeper / Volunteer Youth	
Coordinator	
VACANT	
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c. Rectory Work: (Jean)

Priority -- determination of what room(s) to start with this winter.

ACTION: the room off of the Kitchen will be completed this winter/spring. The bedroom will receive new flooring, painted walls, and any other update determined as a need. There is a spot in the ceiling of the bedroom that Butch will check on to make sure no leaks in the roof. The bathroom in that suite will replace the tub with a shower, replace the toilet, paint and any other update determined as a need. Dave Ammann will lead a group of volunteers to complete the work and CCP funds will pay for the supplies.

Debi purchased comforters for two of the bedrooms and Jean donated a comforter for the remaining bedroom

- d. Update on Dehumidifier (Debi) -- project complete
- e. Parish received a letter from Schneider Heating/AC that the annual contract for inspections to check the units will be increasing: currently charged \$525 for each of the two visits annually, future cost will be \$670 for each of the two visits annually.
- 5. Faith Formation: (Debi)
 - a. Confirmation student report: 7 students: 2023: 4 students (Jackson, Colin, Adeline, and Madalyn) 2025: 3 students (Sophia Grams, Ryan Riederer, Summer Colsch)
 - b. Youth Activities:

Youth Christmas Choir: 6pm Mass Christmas Eve Will recruit for students to attend Steubenville during the month of January, 2024

c. Generations of Faith:

Three remaining sessions: Jan – Fr. Evans, Feb. Thibodeau, March – requested Bishop Barron

- 6. Cemetery: (Karen)
 - a. Cemetery Policy
 - b. Cemetery Boundaries
 - c. Cemetery fence replacement

ACTION: Fr. Vogel and Karen will work together in 2024 on each of the above areas. They will schedule a brief meeting to prepare for next steps in early 2024.

7. Other:

- a. Debi mentioned that she would like to have the Parish purchase the book Beautiful Eucharist. They are \$1 each and she would like to order 125 (minimum required). **Council agreed.** Debi will order this week and herself and Bill will hand out following Christmas Eve Mass. Both the "Beautiful Eucharist" and Bishop Barron's "This is My Body" books will be given to each parish member household and any visitors attending Mass.
- b. Bishop Barron's Mass on December 17th: Breakfast will be sausage, pancakes, scrambled eggs, and fruit.
- c. Seasonal Snow Plowing: Caleb Schulte is no longer plowing. He has sold his business to Justin Rohrer, Brownsville, who picked up Caleb's accounts. Justin would charge the same rate as 2023 season of \$60/event. Council agreed to have Justin Rohrer provide the services.

Next Meeting: February 26, 2024 at 6:00 pm --- **UPDATE**: Meeting moved to February 6, 2024 due to conflict in Fr.'s schedule.

Closing Prayer/ Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Karen, seconded by Debi