St. Patrick's Parish Council Meeting Tuesday, February 6, 2024 6:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Opening Prayer

Accept previous meeting minutes: motion by Mike, seconded by Karen to accept the December 5, 2023 meeting minutes.

- 1. Pastor's Report
 - a. Upcoming Events: Fr. Vogel will be attending the DOW-R Lenten Retreat from the evening of February 18th to 21st. From the 21st to March 1st, Fr. will be on vacation. Deacon Bob will have a Communion Mass on Tuesday, February 20th and 27th. Fr. Marty Schaffer celebrate Sunday Mass on the 25th.
 - b. Lenten Schedule: St. Mary's will have a Lenten Program for 7
 Coordinator

 weeks during Lent. St. Patrick's will have Stations of the Cross and Soup Supper for 6 weeks during Lent.
 - c. Palm Sunday -- Special readings -- need two readers
 - d. Good Friday -- Special readings -- need two readers. Good Friday Service at 7:00 pm
- 2. Parish Finances
 - a. Presentation of Financial Reports: Debi **Motion to accept:** motion by Karen, seconded by Mary to accept the financial reports as presented.
- 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 --
 - 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 65-70 meals served each week.
 - Butch reported that when he took last month's food shelf donations to Caledonia, they were very impressed with the amount of donated food St. Patrick's brings each month.
 - b. Parish Environment:
 - Décor: Lent and Easter Season
- 4. Buildings and Grounds
 - a. Butch's Updates:
 - Cleaning of Hall floor status -- completed in December, 2023
 - Carpet on steps at Rectory status -- Bill contacted Todd at Wieser Pre Cast and he confirmed that a crew will be at Rectory at 4:00 pm on February 7th to remove old steps at kitchen door and replace with new steps.
 - 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. Butch updated at meeting that he needs to contact one of the adjourning property owners to let them know that a tree would need to fall on their property when cut down.
 - Bathroom Sinks -- (Karen) -- Karen reported that she was able to obtain 2 quotes. Max Foellmi and Beaver Builders. Max was \$500 in labor and cost of supplies. She will provide samples for the countertop's and will schedule the work to be done. Funds for the changing tables will come from the CCP funds. Hoping to complete prior to Spring Fling in April.

Name Present Fr. Andrew Vogel Х Bill Fitzpatrick, Trustee Х Karen Kohlmeyer, Cemetery Х Trustee Mary Mell, Member Х Х Jean Meyer, Chair Mike Moriarty, Trustee Х Kathy Sexauer, Member Х Butch Shuda, Contract Maintenance Х Debi Shuda, Parish Staff Bookkeeper / Volunteer Youth Х

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Karen also indicated that the ladies room changing table is cracked and needs to be replaced. Also, the men's room should have a changing table as well.

ACTION: motion by Kathy, seconded by Karen to have Karen order new changing tables for installation by crew doing bathroom work. Funds for the changing tables will come from the CCP funds.

c. Rectory Work: (Jean) Update on work -- Dave and Julie Ammann have agreed to provide the labor for the bedroom/bathroom off the kitchen. Work will begin in February. The Ammann's will purchase the supplies and be reimbursed with CCP funds. We will work to have one room completed each year, with the bedroom/bathroom that Deacon stays in completed in 2025.

d. Future Projects:

Kneelers for the Church, Church Basement: steps and flooring needs renovations.

e. Discussion on the need to contact Wieser's to look at the restoration to the monuments at the Cemetery. Many stones still need to be reset and rescreened. Cemetery funds are used to restore monuments with no family remaining to care for them.

ACTION: Karen will contact Wieser's to set up a time and date this spring/summer for completion.

- 5. Faith Formation: (Debi)
 - a. Confirmation student report: 7 students: 2024: 4 students (Jackson, Colin, Adeline, and Madalyn) Jackson and Colin will be Confirmed at Crucifixion and Adeline and Madalyn will be Confirmed at Co-Cathedral in Rochester, in May. 2025: 3 students (Sophia Grams, Ryan Riederer, Summer Colsch)
 - b. Youth Activities:
 - Recruited students during the month of January, to attend Steubenville that will take place in mid July. Potentially have 6 students attending 2 of the 6 will go with St. Mary's group.
 - Will conduct the M&M sales and the Brat Fry fundraisers this spring to help pay for the student's attending Steubenville.
 - Camp Summit unsure at this point if attending, as no one has signed up for this year.
 - c. Generations of Faith:

Remaining sessions: Feb. -- Thibodeau, March – Fr. Vogel

6. Cemetery: (Karen) --

UPDATE: No new information. Still working on the boundaries and will work with Fr. Vogel on each of the areas.

- 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 parishioner had asked Debi why we did not have a 150th Celebration he felt one would have been in 2021. Based on the math – The parish began in 1859. The cornerstone for the brick building is 1871. St. Patrick's celebrated its 125th Year in 1996 (which would mean we used the 1871 date) The Pandemic was during 2021 and no ability to celebrate in crowds. St. Patrick's could look at celebrating in 2034 as a 175th Anniversary of the Stone Building.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 6:00 pm

Closing Prayer/ Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Mike, seconded by Karen.