

Parish Council Meeting 04/22/2021

Members Present: Mickey Loka, Walt Wotlen, Joe Mattke, Dan Reiter, Glen Mott, Kris Leggett

Members who cannot attend: Nancy Huber, Karen Gauerke

Others in attendance: Jan Huseby, Fr. Louis, Laura Reiter

1. Opening Prayer
2. Mickey opened the meeting at 5:30 PM
3. Approve minutes from January (Motion by Dan and second by Glen/
all in favor)
4. Questions on staff reports - none
 - a. Rita's report - no questions.
 - b. Jan - Gave her report in person
 - i. All doors are now open with hand sanitizer next to them.
 - ii. Jan has been communicating with Superior....No anticipated changes from the Bishop in regards to COVID restrictions
 - iii. May 1 we will have a disposable song sheet at each door so people can join in the singing. Licensing rules have to be followed.
 - iv. People are coming back to church. We will be adding one chair into each window alcove, and the choir loft will be opened.
 - v. St. Mary's Catching up on "Memorial Masses" from the winter... 4-5 funerals are now in the works.
 - vi. Volunteer Appreciation Day is Tuesday May 4 at 6:00 PM. Treats will be available.
5. Finance Report- Laura gave a report.
 - a. Good News: A large bequest of \$134,000 was received. We will be using some of this to switch to LED lighting.

- b. Heating project will be paid off by the end of May. (Almost 100% donated) Envelopes will continue to be used for savings for future heating updates that will be needed.
- c. We have a Deficit budget, but the finance council wanted realistic collection numbers and the bequest was not inserted into the budget as income.
- d. Upcoming projects in addition to the LED lighting: We have a \$17,000 HVAC project, as well as a sidewalk project that is needed as well - about \$18,000, a new hot water heater for CCC is \$5,000. All paid from bequest, and the rest of the bequest will cover the shortfall of tithing as people come back to Mass. This will help the budget be more balanced.
- e. Dan Reiter made a motion to approve the budget and it was seconded by Walt. Motion passed by all..

6. Social Distancing during Mass - Already discussed. The staff will continue to update our website and facebook, and place signs on doors so guests know to social distance.

7. New Council Members- Laura has a list 3 for sure...maybe 4. Michelle Wingate, Tom Oscar, Bear Wadzinski, and Sandy Bishop is thinking about it. They will put their profile in the bulletin. Walt, Joe, Karen, and Nancy should send a short profile, and a picture. This will go in the bulletin, along with email contact information. Chris Newkirk could come from the diocese to set goals since the new council has so many new numbers.

We will begin by setting consistent meetings at 6:00 PM on the third Tuesday of the month. They will follow the finance council meetings, which is easier for Fr. Louis and Laura who have to attend both. A new chair, vice chair and secretary will need to be elected.

Next meeting is May 18 and then June 15. Laura will find out Chris Newkirk's availability. A fond GoodBye to Dan, Mickey, Kris, and Glenn.

8. The Festival is on - in person July 30-31, 2021. The great majority of the event is held outside.
9. **ALICE Training:** Glen will forward his contact info for Sheriff Schneider to Mickey who will include it with his information for the next chair in an email to Laura. ALICE training will be on the agenda for the first council meeting coming in May.
10. **Fr. Louis Report:** A Letter from the Bishop will come out this weekend encouraging face masks and social distancing.
11. Motion to adjourn made by Glen and seconded by Dan. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Kris Leggett
Meeting adjourned at 6:15 PM.