

Pastoral Council Meeting 5.3.16

Present: Mary Barrett, Dan Brantner, Betty Stanek, Sue Tronnes, Frank Vogl, Ron Steponkus, Kelly Aleson, Jared Hammer, Doug Kotecki, and Father Dave.

Excused: Roland Breunig

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Sue Tronnes at 7:05 PM.

To start the meeting, Sue read the "Mercy" sonnet by Shakespeare, a reminder to all that this is a year of Mercy for the Catholic Church.

The minutes from the last meeting were approved. Motion by Dan, 2nd by Ron.

Father Dave arrived at 7:30. Dan gave us report on the Building and Grounds committee.

The wiring is completed for the TV monitors. There will be 4 of them, they will be installed at a future date. They are looking into a floor scrubbing machine. They have found that the prices for new machines and reconditioned ones a very close to the same. Approximately \$7500. The machines will save time and keep the church cleaner. Dan will update us at the next Council meeting.

He mentioned that the large coffee pot in the kitchen does not work right. We either have to get it fixed or purchase a new one. We will hear more about it at the next meeting.

Jared gave us a report on the Stewardship Committee. They are planning an event called Movies and Marshmallows. They will first roast marshmallows outside, then have those present come into the dining area to watch a movie. The date for that is June 3rd. They are also discussing a money raising event to raise money to send some children to camp. In October they are planning Stewardship event that will inform the members of the parish of all the committees at work in the parish, what they do, and who to contact if they want to work on one of the committees.

The next item discussed was the Parish Mission Statement. After much discussion, everybody had a chance to offer what they thought should make up the statement. We all agreed on the following:

The mission of St. Joseph Catholic Church is:

"Building a welcoming home of worship, stewardship and fellowship"

Motion was made and seconded that we accept the restated mission statement. All were in favor.

Father reported that the St Joseph signs we discussed last month are being worked on.

He also reported that as a tribute to Mrs. Albrecht, the Church donated a Magnolia tree to the Albrecht Funeral Home grounds.

We were reminded that Pastoral Council elections will be held in June. That announcement was made in the Parish bulletin. Nominations must be in by the coming weekend. There will be a prayer meeting with Father Dave the evening of May 15th at 6:30 PM. Those interested must let Doug know by May 22nd if they are still interested. Names and bios of those still interested will be in the bulletin on June 11-12. Elections will be the 18th and 19th of June.

There was discussion about a float for the Tobacco days Parade. Mary suggested it might be a good idea to have the Religious Ed classes take part in building a float. Most agreed it could be a good idea.

There was also a suggestion that we may want to investigate the possibility of Billboard signs at the edge of town, to let people know that St. Joseph's is here to help.

Next meeting will be held downstairs in Parish Hall on May 31st, at 7:00 PM.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30, after Father Dave led us in Prayer.

Margaret Hollenberger, Secretary