

Parish Council Meeting 3/5/2020

Present: Joe Mattke, Glen Mott, Ann Jelinek, Fr. Louis, Kris Leggett, Kay Berg, Kevin Bandoch, Rita Lee, Nancy Huber, Mickey Loka, Doug Duchac, Terry Winchell, Dan Reiter

Not able to attend: Jan Huseby, Karen Gauerke

1. Fr. Louis led us in opening prayer.
2. Approval of previous months minutes. Motion to approve by Dan Reiter, seconded by Glen Mott, all in favor.
3. Additions to the agenda: Walt has resigned effective immediately due to a move out of the area. Kris will forward his email to everyone.
4. Finance Report: Terry is here for Deb this month. Our Church, financially, is in the positive, with no unexpected expenses. Other positives is that our snow birds will be returning soon, and the heating season is coming to a close. The finance council would like the parish council to consider these items:
 - a. **Evangelization Program** The Finance Council is not sure evangelization can be a committee of volunteers, or will someone need to be compensated for heading the program? Parish Council should advise the Finance Council. Laura contacted Superior Diocese to ask about evangelization programs. Other parishes are doing these programs. But we don't have any details.
 - b. **The school endowment board.** The endowment advisory board meets once a year in the spring, to give a recommendation to the directors (Fr. Louis and two trustees) as to the amount of funds to be given to the school. There needs to be one parish council member on the board. Kris Leggett was the p/c member on the board.
5. Questions on the staff reports - none

Old Business

6. **Evangelization** Kay doesn't have the time to head this up, she would work with this committee but she can not head it up. We are curious as to what the other parishes do. Some are doing "Rebuilt" which is based on a book that we read. Another program is the 99. Discussion of how to start. It was decided to start by updating our parish registry to make sure we know what families are no longer members. The Parish Council members would be in the back of the church by a table to update the registry. Mickey will work up an announcement for the bulletin explaining that we will be in the back of the church updating the parish roster, in an effort to begin our evangelization program..... (and we also need an oral announcement)
7. **No Smoking Signs.** Where will they be stored? And who will put them out and in during funerals etc....Since we have no smoking signs (6) on the property as you enter or exit, and the ashtrays have been removed, we will hold this idea for 6 months and see if the smoking problem continues.

8. **Bells during Consecration** - Fr. Louis discussed with Jan and we will not have the bells because sometimes we do not have a Deacon or an altar server and if we were to have the bells ringing, it would need to be consistent.
9. **ALICE training** has been set up for April 26 from 9:15-10:45 AM in the CCC. Announcements are in the bulletin already. We need to make sure that the ushers come. Kris will talk to the 11 AM Ushers about coming. Kay will do 8 AM and Dan will do 6 PM. We can have coffee and doughnuts after. We can work out details at our next meeting.

New Business

1. School crisis plan has been updated in case of an extended shut down. The directive has come from the Diocese. So Rita will be updating her school crisis plan accordingly.
2. Catholic Life Insurance : If a parishioner buys life insurance there is an additional 5% benefit given to the church as an additional death benefit. It is from the Catholic order of Foresters. We aren't moving forward with this. Glen will look into it a little more.
3. Appoint someone to the Endowment Board: Dan Reiter has volunteered to be the parish council representative on the School Endowment Board.
4. New Council Person is needed to fill Walt's spot. Kris will ask Tracy to place an announcement in the bulletin.
5. Nancy reported that the school's Gala is April 24 at Inshalla. Parish Council will be providing wine as our donation to the "Holy Spirit" Basket. Get your donation to Nancy or the school. Gala ticket is \$30.
6. Our Sisters House will be most likely dissolving due to a lack of funds. They will run through April. Vote will happen on March 25.
7. Fr. Louis led a discussion from an email he received making sure the Church is staying neutral on politics. This was in regards to the Pro Life Display, which was decided by the council to not be political, but a Catholic Church teaching, and therefore, is very appropriate in church. The parish staff thinks it should be added upon to include other pro-life issues (natural death), and perhaps be put up two times a year. .
8. Mickey read the mission statement.
9. Dan motions to adjourn and Glen seconds the motion. All were in favor.

Next Meeting: April 14 at 5:30 PM