

ST ANN PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES OF JANUARY 23, 2020

Meeting was called to order by President Ryan Wunderlich at 6:35 PM with a Hail Mary. The meeting date and time were changed, and it is not clear if every Council member was notified. Present were Ryan Wunderlich, Mike Cesnik, Ken Betz, John Cobb, Keith Fournier, Deacon Joe Beauchamp and Fr. Francis. Not present were Kathy Byrd, Amanda Gilliland, Shauna Cooper, Donna McGrath and Theresa Tetrick. The minutes of the November 26, 2019 meeting were approved by the Council.

OPENING REMARKS

None

ADMINISTRATION

Ken Betz reported that the Finance Committee met the previous evening. As of the first half of the fiscal year, St. Ann's adjusted net income was approximately \$30,000 above budget. Total expenses were below budget. The church loan balance is \$1,049,000. At the Archdiocesan Audit it was requested that Parish Council members sign Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statements (members did sign those statements during the January 23 meeting). ATT rejected our claim to repair the damage to drains at the corner of Mills and High School Road. They said that it was past the Indiana statute of limitations. We plan to submit a claim to ATT for payment of the damage to the barn, road and field, also plan to require notification for access prior to any work being performed on the tower. The final pieces of stolen equipment are being purchased: A Snow blower and a large Zero Turn Mower. The time and treasure volunteered by the grounds team has saved the parish significant dollars again this year.

Regarding our building it was determined that insurance is required for those who use the hall, with exceptions being parish wide events like the festival. There will be no \$50 deposit fee. The fee to use the hall is \$50 per section and a group can take just 1 section. Regarding the roof, it was inspected by our insurance representative. The representative determined that the damage is limited to wind damage, so they sent St. Ann a check to repair it. Quotes to improve the security systems for the church have been reduced to two possible companies. A final recommendation should be complete by the end of February. John Cobb commented that damage to the roof from improper installation is not going to be covered by insurance. He added that St. Ann's will need to speak to Gillette Construction for those repairs.

The Festival Committee is trying to increase sponsorships by talking at the Reverse Raffle, having forms available sooner and posting sponsor signs in April.

STEWARDSHIP

No report.

FAMILY LIFE

No report.

SPIRITUAL LIFE

A report was submitted from the St. Ann Faith Formation Committee. The meeting occurred on January 8. Kelly O'Brien is working on a mission statement. Fr. Francis is working on bylaws. 7 of 10 Advent books were sold. There was positive feedback from the Pageant and the Children's Mass. Regarding children's envelopes, information will be provided in the Religious Ed. Newsletter and in announcements after Mass on the January 11-12 weekend. Children's envelopes will be a Lenten project. The vocation basket that will have prayers and a cross is for families to use for a week. It will be passed to the next family during Mass.

A report was submitted from the Liturgy Commission. They met on January 21. Blessing of throats for the feast of St. Blaise will be on Saturday, February 1 and Sunday, September 2. Benediction will be held on the second Sunday of the month, except for April, as the second Sunday is Easter Sunday. Children's Mass will be on the 4th Sunday of the month. Deacon Joe will conduct server training after Masses on Saturday February 15 and Sunday February 16. Lector and Eucharistic Minister training will be after Masses Saturday February 29 and Sunday March 1. Services for Lent were scheduled. Stations of the Cross will be Fridays at 7:00 PM, with different groups leading them. Reconciliation Service will be Monday March 30 at 7:00 at St. Thomas More. The possibility of a parish wide project for Lent was discussed. Several good ideas were proposed, with nothing definite agreed upon. Divine Mercy Sunday, April 19, was addressed. Novenas for Life will take place Wednesday January 22 through Sunday January 26.

OLD BUSINESS

Ryan Wunderlich gave an update on the St. Ann grill. Ryan has pictures of the grill which can be put online. The plan is to put it up for sale. Ryan said we need advice from someone who sells things on ebay or other sites. It will be a Men's Club project to sell the grill.

NEW BUSINESS

Don Wilgus will still run the Reverse Raffle this year. Brenda Danner will be running it next year. There will be a fish fry on March 6, the 2nd Friday of Lent from 5:00 to 6:30, followed by the Stations of the Cross at 7:00. There will be Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM every Friday during Lent. There will be a Spaghetti Dinner (meatless) on Friday March 27. Fr. Francis said that the Stations of the Cross will be assigned to various commissions. Keith Fournier volunteered to do stained glass work for the 4 large windows in the church. Fr. Francis said that we need to give this matter a little time.

COMMENTS AROUND THE ROOM

John Cobb said that, because he is working full time, he is no longer able to oversee

maintenance and security of the building. He said that we need somebody who can be dedicated to maintenance and security of the building. Fr Francis said that our budget does not allow us to pay someone for this job. What he wants is to establish a building committee and have them cover these responsibilities.

COMMENTS FROM FATHER FRANCIS

Fr. Francis would like to see more participation in the Stations of the Cross. He said that the Easter Triduum will be celebrated at both St. Ann and St. Thomas More, although he doesn't have extra priests to cover all three days as yet. He added that the Easter Vigil service, where the catechumens and candidates are welcomed into the Church, will be at only one parish. The Penance Service will be on March 30 at St. Thomas More. Father noted that the recent Audit of the parish was "good", although some small changes were recommended

Next meeting will be on Tuesday, February 18 at 6:30 PM. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM with the St. Ann Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted, Mike Cesnik, Secretary