

St. Joseph Parish Council Minutes
June 21, 2018
St. Joseph's Church Pine Room
7:00 pm

1.0 Opening Prayer led by Fr. Keith.

2.0 Meeting was called to order by Kyle Koffler.

3.0 Roll Call

3.1 Present Fr. Keith, Peter Bazin, Mollie Huber, Elaine Heidecker, Caitlin Friedt, Melissa Sheppard, Fr. Patrick, Tina Jassek, Janel Jangula, Kyle Koffler, and Mary Gross

3.2 Excused: Cheryl Lohmann, Monica Soto and Glenda Bird.

4.0 Items added for Fr. Keith to discuss parish and Mollie adding 6.2 update on short pilgrimage and 6.3 update on long pilgrimage. Mary approved and Mollie seconded the motion.

5.0 Reports

5.1 Committee Reports

a. Building and Grounds

Doug has completed the detached garage and has put new garage doors on the attached garage. He will continue to work on garden and lawn. He added downspouts to the gutters and added covers. The next project will be waxing the front of the altar floor and cleaning the carpets. There are also plans to replace the wooden garden beds with brick.

b. Outreach

There are still blankets to deliver to homebound. Dalila Heinert has resigned her position as Outreach Coordinator.

c. Hispanic Ministry - No updates.

d. Christian Community

Christian Mothers- No updates.

St Anne's- Met on May 6 and there were 18 people in attendance. There was a presentation.

Knights of Columbus-They met June 14. Knight of the month was Al Kramer.

Family of the month was Mike and Dee Brusich. They repaired the fence around the cemetery as a service project. They will have a Mass for St. Joseph on July 11. They are discussing rules of Knighthood at meetings.

e. Christian Formation

VBS had 110 children attend last week. Trinity has a raffle. There is an all-school reunion next weekend. They have open positions for elementary teachers and business education.

f. Pastor's Report

Finance Council is working on the budget.

6.0 Old Business

6.1 Parish Picnic

Picnic is scheduled for Saturday, June 23. Confirmation student volunteers are scheduled to help. Ladbury will set up tents and we will use the Pine Room for back-up in case of rain. Picnic will follow the 5:00 pm Mass.

6.2 Short Pilgrimage

Considering the Strasburg and Hague, ND area as well as Hoven and Selby, SD "Cathedral on the Prairie." Mollie Huber has drafted an itinerary. Transportation, lodging and food need to be discussed.

6.3 Long Pilgrimage

Upcoming in 2020. Considering Oberammergau Passion Play with a trip to Italy or the Shrines of Eastern Europe or just a trip to Italy.

7.0 New Business

7.1 New Members

Melissa Sheppard will be replacing Elaine Heidecker, Glenda Bird is filling a vacancy, and Caitlin Friedt will start a new term.

7.2 Parish Life

- "Why do people come to St. Joseph's?" Positive responses include: Fr. Keith, the traditional build of the church, growing up within the Parish, later Mass time, and humble environment.
- "Why don't people come to St. Joseph's?" Possible ideas include: There is another Mass later in the afternoon, not a lot of young people come to events, not connected to a school, not welcoming, and people don't feel connected.
- "How do we bring people together?" The children's offering, keeping children feeling engaged, announcing birthdays or anniversaries, Young Catholic Professionals, Theology on Tap, a Parish day of silence or recollection, and inviting people via phone messaging or email.

7.3 Grotto Mass scheduled for August 15 followed by a potluck.

7.4 Finalize the Year- New members established.

8.0 Future Agenda

8.1 Next Meeting for a plan going forward will be July 19 at 7:00 pm. This may include implementing ideas from Forming Intentional Disciples by Sherry Weddell.

9.0 Closing prayer

10.0 Caitlin motioned to adjourn the meeting and Mary seconded it. Meeting adjourned.