

St. Joseph Parish Council Minutes
Tuesday, January 23, 2018
St. Joseph Church Parish Office at 7:45 p.m.

1.0 Opening Prayer was led by Fr. Keith

2.0 The meeting was called to order by Kyle Koffler

3.0 Roll Call

3.1 Present: Fr. Keith, Fr. Patrick, Peter Bazin, Kyle Koffler, Elaine Heidecker, Mollie Huber, Cheryl Lohmann, Caitlin Friedt & Janel Jangula

3.2 Excused: Mary Gross & Tina Jassek Absent: Monica Soto

4.0 Approval of Agenda

4.1 Kyle moved to add 6.3 Parish Website. Fr. Keith moved to add 6.3 website, 6.4 Pilgrimage, 7.4 Budget and 7.5 Pastoral Priorities. Caitlin made a motion with the additions. Peter seconded. Agenda approved.

5.0 Reports

5.1 Committee Reports

5.1.1 Buildings & Grounds: Some updates need to be done to the Parish Office, including painting. Kyle will work with Doug on coordinating that project. Doug had to change the sump pump in the Rectory. The water heater may also need to be replaced in the Rectory.

5.1.2 Outreach:

5.2.1 New Members - There are approximately 53 new members. There will be a dinner for new members on February 10, 2018.

5.2.2 Hispanic Ministry – There were approximately 50 people at the last Spanish Mass. The sisters from Williston just completed their 3rd year in the Diocese. Monica Soto will be going to Texas for some ministry training.

5.1.3 Christian Community Committee

5.1.3.1 St. Anne's: No report

5.1.3.2 Christian Mothers: Cheryl reported that Christian Mothers will be sponsoring the February 26, 2018 Soup & Bread.

5.1.3.3 KC Council 6308: January Server of the Month was Derika Praus, Knight of the Month was Clarence Hauck and Family of the Month was Larry & Brenda Sand. Knight of the Year was Doug Morel and Family of the Year was Rick & Gloria Mellmer. March 18, 2018 will be 1st, 2nd & 3rd Degree initiation at St. Joseph's. The Council perpetual rosary was held on January 21, 2018 and January 22, 2018. The State Convention will be in Bismarck April 27-April 29, 2018. Brian Dukart will be running for Warden at the State Convention. The Council made a \$100 donation to KC Iraq and a \$2500 donation to the THS Alter Fund. The Fish Fry will be for Council expenses.

5.1.4 Christian Faith Formation

5.1.4.1 Faith Formation/Sacramental Preparation/CCD: That Man Is You! started 1/19/2018. RCIA has been held on Thursday evenings. 1st Reconciliation will be held on 2/3/2018. Students will have a short prayer service prior to reconciliation. CCD students will be having their Safe Environment class in February. CCD students will be making Valentines for the elderly of our parish. Ann is working on projects for St. Joseph's Day.

5.1.4.2 Trinity Catholic Schools: Mardi Gras will be held on 1/26-1/28/2018. St. Joseph's parishioners are asked to make bars for the Saturday meal and cakes for the cake walk. Divine Wine & Dine will be held on 2/10/2018 at Lady J's. The 4:00 pm Mass at St. Wenceslaus has had a positive response.

5.1.5 Pastor's Report: Feast of St. Joseph is coming up on 3/19/2018. The Sunday, 12/24/2017 9:30 am Mass was not well attended with people showing up at 8:00 and 10:30 am. The 4:00 pm Mass at St. Wenceslaus has had the Trinity North students doing the ministries. Ash Wednesday is on 2/14/2018. Mass will be at 8:00 am and 5:30 pm with CCD. We will hold Stations of the Cross at 6:00 pm on Fridays during Lent. We received a grant for over \$700 for Religious Ed. The parish is finalizing fiscal year end. We will be looking at the budget and how the parish will make the budget. Someone will be coming to the church on 6/16/2018 and 6/17/2018 to sell olive wood crosses for the Holy Land. Last weekend was a SEARCH weekend. Fr. Patrick continues visiting people in the nursing home and hospital. Fr. Keith is busy with tribunal cases and marriage preparation.

6.0 Old Business

- 6.1 Soup & Bread: Parish Council will be sponsoring Soup & Bread on 2/23/2018. Cheryl Lohmann is coordinating the event. Donations are going to Angel 37 Kitchen. Mollie Huber spoke with Tana Johnson. They prepare for 120 meals. Parish Council will host Angel 37 Kitchen on 4/24/2018. One idea is to have a German themed meal.
- 6.2 Lenten Mission: A Lenten Mission will be held at St. Joseph's on 3/11/2018 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm. It will include adoration, confession and a focus on St. Joseph, since the feast day is 3/19/2018.
- 6.3 Website: Parish Council looked at other parish websites. The St. Joseph website has similar content of other parish websites. A discussion was held about if we need to look at how we are getting information to parishioners (app, Facebook, website, bulletin)
- 6.4 Pilgrimage: We will plan a parish pilgrimage to Strasburg and Hague, ND and Hoven, SD. For an overseas pilgrimage, possibilities are Rome or the Holy Land in 2019 for the parish.

7.0 New Business

- 7.1 New Parish Council Members: No new names were brought to the table.
- 7.2 Pine Room Campaign: There is \$394,000 left to raise for the Pine Room. We are paying \$6100 per month. A campaign will be looked at to raise the balance in the near future.
- 7.3 Upcoming Feasts: St. Blaise will be held on 2/3/2018 with Mass at 8:00 am and blessing of the throat. St. Joseph's Day will be celebrated on 3/19/2018 with Mass at 9:30 am with a St. Joseph's table. Children from TEE and TEW will attend the Mass. Sacred Heart will be celebrated on 6/8/2018. Immaculate Heart will be celebrated on 6/9/2018.
- 7.4 Budget: Finance Council is looking at the budget including the Pine Room and Trinity High School campaigns.
- 7.5 Pastoral Priorities: FORMED has been in contact with the parish. FORMED could be utilized for bible studies, Youth Group, etc. Fr. Keith recommends Parish Council look at new content on FORMED to see if it is something we would like to get again.

8.0 Future Agenda Items

- 8.1 Pastoral Priorities
- 8.2 FORMED
- 8.3 Next Meeting: Thursday, 2/15/2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Pine Room.

9.0 Closing Prayer was led by Peter Bazin.

10.0 Adjournment: Elaine made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mollie seconded the motion.