

Sacred Heart Parish Council Meeting
January 12, 2023
5:00 pm

MINUTES

Opening Prayer

- The regular meeting of the SACRED HEART PARISH COUNCIL was called to order at 5:00 pm on January 12, 2023. Fr. Corey gave the opening prayer.

Roll Call

- Present: Tom Kurkowski, Fr. Corey Litzner, John Mansfeldt, Mary Mervar, Clifford Nankervis, Diane Richard
- Absent: James Schwab, Natalie Wahmhoff
- Resigned: Natalie Wahmhoff resigned as of January 12, 2023. Resignation accepted.

Review Minutes of Last Meeting

- Motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes of the last meeting.

Statements from Parishioners

- Church was beautifully decorated. Decorations will stay up until February 2nd, the Presentation of the Lord.

Faith formation/Education

- Faith Formation:
 - Forty to fifty kids are enjoying what is presented each week.
- Sacred Heart School:
 - Students really like their teachers.
 - School will send out packets of raffle tickets to all parishioners to purchase.
 - Open house at school coming up.
 - May want to have a wine tasting as one event.
 - May want to make this a parish wide event.
- First Reconciliation on Saturday, December 10th, was well received.
- Maybe only three for First Communion.

Building and Grounds

- Rail in choir loft: Mike Roberts and Clifford Nankervis are in the process of installing metal posts with wire connecting to each post.
- Ice build-up over side entrance: May want to blow insulation in roof.
- Ladies who decorate want to hang some pictures in the basement and would like the rail moved down. It was decided that Clifford would get more information from Mary Ann.
- There is a need for additional electrical outlets in the basement. Will have to get a quote.

Finance:

- Weekly contribution down 20%
- UPCS 80.7% of total SH parish will need to make up the difference. SH only had 54 contributors which is only 27% of our parish.
- Request to add something to online streaming slide show to remind people to donate.

Old Business:

- SH Retreat discussion:
 - Year of the Eucharist. Fr. Corey will put on a 3-4 hour retreat at St. Ann's on a Saturday with a luncheon. He will invite other priests in to assist due to confessions.
 - Lent starts on February 22.
 - Deacon Mike will be here for our Lenten Mission on March 5 – 7.
 - Koinonia Retreat will be at Sacred Heart on March 31 to April 2.
- Ecumenical Men's Breakfast:]
 - All churches invited January 14th at 8:00 am
 - Fr. Corey will give a presentation on brotherhood.

New Business

- Committees: Fr. Corey would like each council member to be assigned to a committee. There is one not yet assigned, Evangelization/Discipleship.
- Eucharistic Ministers:
 - SH needs EMCs as some of the ones who serve are unable due to infirmity. Tom Kurkowski said he is willing to be a sub; John will talk to Lois Kemppainen for setting up training.
 - Fr. Corey mentioned that the Bishop has asked lay people to be EMCs.

Adjournment

- Next Parish Council meeting February 9, 2023, at 5:00 pm.
- Fr. Corey gave the closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Mary Mervar/John Mansfeldt

January 23, 2023