

St. Joseph's Pastoral Council Minutes

October 7, 2021

Members Present: Clint Weeder (President); Chris Delka; Renee Peters; Chris Unseld; Jeff Dvorak; Julie Wragge; Krista Bailey; Kim Spieker (Rel. Ed); Marilyn Blunck (Altar Soc.); Arnie Venteicher (Finance); Larry Fuerhoff (Maintenance); Galen Svoboda (Cemetery)

Members Absent: Janeill Knox; John Hoelsing

The meeting was called to order by President Clint Weeder with Marilyn leading the prayer.

Reports:

Altar Society: Net Profit from the Ice Cream Social was approximately \$6,200. Recent expenses (approximate) – cleaning of church and vents (\$4,600) and Installation of the counter tops in the parish center kitchen (\$3,500). County Government Day will be held in the parish center on November 4, with the Altar Society serving. Letters were mailed to the Nov. /Dec. chair-and co-chairmen with details.

Cemetery: After research, it was decided to redo the cemetery road with pavement (verses concrete). Cost of the project is approximately \$27,400, which will be completed during the summer of 2022 by Jared Husky. The St. Joseph cast sign will be painted by the KOC. The tree hit by lightning will be have the tip removed.

Religious Ed: Kim shared the year is going well. The rummage sale was a success (\$3,600). Funds will used for various activities such as March for Life in Washington DC (Jan. 2022); curriculum; meals for youth on Wednesday evenings; and retreats. The average class size for lower grades is twelve.

Finance: Arnie V., Clint W., Ron P. and Fr. Tim met to complete the required Archdiocesan form. There will be a formal financial statement sent to all registered parish members (one per family) on an annual basis. No monthly balance sheet to report this month.

Maintenance: Snow removal last year was completed by Mike and Garrett Kroupa. Jeff Dvorak will contact Mike to ask if he will be interested in contracting to do the snow removal again this year. Grass on the parish grounds was treated for grubs. The grass needs to be reseeded. Chris Unseld will contact the company to clarify if they will do this or if it needs to be completed by St. Joseph's. The light in the church sign (outside light out front) is out. Jeff Dvorak will look into this to get it replaced.

Spiritual Life and Worship (SLAW): Met on Oct. 5, 2021. There are three new EHMC and two new lectors. December 8 is the end of the "Year of St. Joseph". There will be an evening mass. SLAW will formulate and finalize plans for this mass. Questioned if the parish center should be available for overflow during the weekend mass with the increase of attendance. This will be monitored and if determined it is necessary, the center will be opened.

Knights of Columbus: No report

Old Business:

- Carpet in rectory – consensus was to not replace the carpet at this time
- St. Joseph statute – Galen presented several options. After reviewing each of the possibilities (material, height, cost, etc.), the Council voted on a statute. Statute will be

purchased through Cosgrave's (Omaha, NE) and is a bronze, 48" tall, with a stamped concrete base. Parish members will have the opportunity to donate toward the statute. A flyer will be made available at the entrances of the church.

New Business:

- AED – Renee Peters researched various AED options available. The AED Superstore offered several brands (Zoll & Phillips), and models (adult and with a pediatric patch kits). She informed the group the company recommended a low maintenance model, which works well for individuals with no training. Some models come with a carrying case. Costs range from \$1,400 to \$1,800. Renee will gather more information and report back.
- December Meeting/Christmas Party – it was decided to combine the Pastoral Council/Religious Education Christmas Parties. This is scheduled for Wednesday, December 8 after the evening mass
- Pastor Report – Met on Oct. 7, with 3 more meetings to take place. The plans are to bring the group together and pass the information on to the parish members.

Kim S. made a motion to adjourn the meeting, with Krista B. seconded the motion. Motion carried. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 4th at 7:00 pm in the parish center.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Blunck
Altar Society President