

St. Ann Parish Council Meeting
February 8, 2025

Present: Father Jins, Sue Massie, Sue Skytta, Greg Lazzari, Rich Brodbeck, and Sally Koskinen via phone

Absent: Lois Kemppainen, Kathy Juetten

Meeting called to order by Sue M at 2:00 PM followed by prayer.

Father Jins Comments:

Father reviewed the Easter schedule:

 Chrism Mass is on April 10.

 Holy Thursday- Father will contact Joe Gabe about the Knights being available for the washing of the feet. Discussed why only men.

 Easter Sunday- SA- 9 AM SH- 10:30 AM, HN- 12 noon

 Penance Service at St Ann will most likely be a Friday night. The Vicarate has not met yet to set dates. Station of the Cross will be Friday evening at 5 PM. The Knights will feed the priests

 Lenten Mission- Bible study with 30 minute video followed by discussion at St Ann on Tuesday following Mass. Peter Messing will lead. Cost will be \$30 per night for presentor. Snacks and pizza will be provided and paid by St Ann. All agreed

 Communion Patton: will be started to use during weekend Masses. Wayne will step down as Altar Server on Sunday but Rich reported he will be there.

Old Business:

 Music during Holy Thursday and Easter Vigil- Sue S reported Christy will be available.

 Music- No update

 Lenten Gift Selection- Currently Karen and Wayne order the books for all 3 parishes. Lengthy discussion held about the council involvement. It may be too late for this Lent. One possibility was shared. Greg reported the three parishes get \$500 from the Legacy of Faith. About 300 books are ordered. Discussed the possibility the councils be involved with the selection. No further decisions were made.

 Outlet- Not sure if it is working or not

Committee Reports:

Finance (Greg)- As of 1/31 there was \$43,126.66 in the checking, Buildings \$41,270.04, Ladies- \$3759.92, and endowment \$143,880.53. Investment slightly down. Overall we are in good shape. Motion by Sue S seconded by Rich. Motion carried.

Sacred Heart School Finance-(Sally)

 Meeting will be held next week

Ladies Guild-(Kathy) Nothing to report.

Sacred Heart School operation and Faith Formation-(Rich)

 An increase of tuition by 15% was recommended by the diocese. A potential grant will cover the increase to all families. Total increase in tuition will be approximately \$21,000.

 Family Fun Day will be held at St Anne in Chassell on March 15.

A book from Ascension "Catholic School Playbook" was discussed. Rich read it and thought it would be good for the principal, teachers and families. St Ann would pay for the books. Motion by Sue S, seconded by Greg. Motion carried.
A Catholic ID meeting will be held in the future.

Parish Services(Sue M)- Nothing reported

Liturgy and Worship(Sue S)-

Some parishioners have requested Father's homily be printed as in the past.

Buildings and Grounds(Greg and Rich)- Nothing new.

New Business

Lengthy discussion held on the candles on the altar and votive candles. Candle pricing was discussed. Currently the large ones are \$3.00 and small ones are \$??? . Discussed raising the prices. Also the cost of the candles on the altar and are they all needed. Some felt they are the Light of Christ. Others stated we never had them all except during the Easter and Christmas season. Discussed what the cost of all the candles- Altar and Votive. What is the expense versus income for the votives? Council decided we need more information to make a determination. Tabled until next meeting. Greg will get the information.

Meeting adjourned at 3:05 PM followed by prayer.

Submitted by Sally Koskinen, Secretary