

ST. ANN PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 9/8/22

PRESENT: Todd, Greg, Tony, Russ, Richard, Nancy, Kathy

ABSENT: Fr. Corey

Meeting opened with prayer at 6:35

Fr. Corey e-mailed comments to Todd:

- Faith formation will start on Sept. 21. The schedule will be the same as last year.
- Sacred Heart School is in session and is going well. Enrollment has increased by 10 students over last year. More students are attending in the 7th and 8th grades. There are 13 students coming from the Copper Country and there is now a permanent bus driver. The School is currently short 1 teacher and Christy is filling in until the position is filled.
- St. Ann will be having a Patriotic Rosary on October 15 at Noon.
- BCCC will be participating in a Coast-to-Coast rosary at the L'Anse waterfront at 4:00 PM.
- On October 7 from 6:30 to 7:30 PM Charles Fraume will be speaking on the topic "Spiritual Warfare". Discussion will follow.

OLD BUSINESS:

Rectory Maintenance Projects: Greg

- The gutters have been installed as previously approved.
- The leak in the downstairs bathroom has not been resolved.
- Mark Koski from U.P. Building and Development as well as an insurance adjuster have examined the roofs and have found no damage.
- Maintenance is getting pricing on the front entry handrails.

Church Maintenance Projects: Greg

- With the installation of the frontal screens the pew project is done.
- Maintenance will be procuring paint for the Church Hall bathrooms.
- Prices have been acquired for re-painting the statues.
- Tony will be taking accumulated waste materials and broken, unusable items to the transfer station.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance --- Greg

- Account Balances: Checking = \$33,911, / Building and Renovation = \$12,366 / Ladies Guild = \$7,071 / Investment Pool = \$106,287.
- Investment Pool balance has been declining due to stock market downturn.
- The Tri-Parish annual financial report will be in the bulletin at month end.

- Motion to accept the Financial Report by Tony. Second by Richard. All approved.

Parish Services --- Tony

- Tony attended a meeting regarding the Tri-Parish picnic held at the Shrine the past two years. It was decided to return the annual Mass and picnic to the L'Anse waterfront park where the access is more suitable for elderly and handicapped Parishioners. A separate special Mass will be held at the Shrine on an annual basis.

Hunter Supper ---- Russ

- Russ reported on the Hunter Supper Committee meeting held on August 30. A copy of the meeting minutes had been forwarded to PC members except the two new members.
- Basically all is going well at this point. A notice will be put in the bulletin to announce the date, time and that it will be a drive-thru event again this year.
- Reports have come to Russ that there are a number of Nesco roasters that are not functioning. Russ tested 8 roasters and found 4 not working and 1 functioning but in bad condition. Three were functioning. After some discussion it was stated that there is a lot of use of the roasters for various functions and that replacement would be in order.
- A motion was made by Tony to "purchase 7 new Nesco 18qt. roasters at the best price available". Seconded by Nancy. All approved. Since the dollar total would exceed PC purchase limits Greg will poll the Finance Committee with the question and advise Russ if approval to purchase is obtained. Russ to do the purchasing.
- There was some discussion on the need to purchase a meat slicer. Todd will research this for future action.

Building and Grounds --- Greg

- Previous B&G Chairperson Dianne has stepped down from the PC. With her leaving Greg has temporarily assumed the duties together. A permanent Chairperson may be needed going forward.

NEW BUSINESS:

Potential new projects for PC consideration ---- Greg

- The front door on the Rectory is in bad shape and is not tight. Cost of a 36-inch door with some windows would run from \$450 (Menards) to \$695 (Hoffman).
- The front doors on the Church are very inefficient and drafty. New doors primarily of wood would be quite pricey. Estimates Greg include \$6,200 plus 2,200 for hardware and shipping from a company specializing in Church doors located in Alabama. Hoffman could supply doors much like the doors at Sacred Heart for m/l \$5,700 with \$200 for hardware or from another source a different type door for m/l \$7,500.

- The statues of the Blessed Mother and St. Theresa could be repainted by a firm in Green Bay for \$900 for one statue or \$1,200 for two. The statues would need to be transported to Green Bay and picked up when done.
- There has been some discussion as to replacing the altar. Fr. Corey is in favor of that. There needs to be discussion as to size and design prior to getting any relevant pricing.
- Refinishing the Priest and altar server chairs to match the finish on the new pews. Greg is making some contacts to get pricing.
- The informational sign in front of the Church needs work as to lighting and other needs. A contact Greg has made quotes \$1,500 to rebuild the current sign and \$5,800 for a new one. The new would still be manual as to posting info and would not be of the digital type.
- Kathy brought up a previous project on which had been recommended at the time the new roof was installed. This was the installation of gutters along the handicapped entrance to prevent water causing erosion of the brick mortar. She will contact Wayne to see if there is any information available regarding this project. To be discussed in the future.

Meeting adjourned with prayer at 7:35.

Minutes noted and compiled by Russ.