St. Michael's Parish Council

Meeting Minutes 03/05/2019

Members Present: Father Jeff, Carmella Owen, Bridget Mann, Rosemary Strub, Chris Hassler, Lee Lauster, Terry Clark, Peter Vogt, Pauline DeCann, Joe Malach, Isabella Bailey, Joe Loson

Members Absent: June Sherman

Opening Prayer: Joe Malach

February Minutes approved

Pastor's Report

Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA): Only \$50 donated this past week, Father Jeff will be sending out a letter this month to those who gave last year but have not given last year.

Status of St. Michael's School Building: An agreement has been reached with the prospective buyer for \$100,000, and the prospective buyer is waiting for our letter of intent in order to receive grants in mid-April. We will have to apply for zoning changes through the village. On weekends we will have access to the parking lot.

We would pay \$2,000/year (with inflationary adjustment) towards snow/ice maintenance.

Motion by Chris Hassler, seconded by Lee Lauster to vote to concur on the \$2,000/year (with inflationary adjustment) with the prospective buyer. Motion passed unanimously.

We would like to have a slight change to the parking lot entrances in order to allow for more parking. In terms of cleaning, there are student desks, school pictures, and statues, uncertain what to do with them.

South Main St. Project: As work continues, the entire small parking lot on the side of the church will be marked as handicapped spaces for the duration of the project.

Building and Grounds: Due to the difficulty choir members have getting up to the choir loft, we are considering moving the organ keyboard to the front of the church, potentially where the tabernacle is. However, that would be a \$9,000+ project. We are considering other options as well.

Fundraising 2019

Raffle: The drawing will be the same format, June 9th, drawn during Coffee Hour. We will not be mailing tickets this year, and distributing tickets will be formatted differently. In the past, we got a special deal on ticket printing. This year we are printing fewer tickets based on need but it may cost us slightly more.

Restaurant Night: This will potentially be on Tuesday, May 28th at Tom Wahl's. Fifteen percent of sales would benefit us for purchases that night with coupon.

Clothing Sales: Lee has begun talking with Arcadia Sports about prices for jackets, we would be buying them for \$36 (or less depending on price breaks), and probably selling them for \$45. This will be based on presale. Profit margins are not huge.

Wayne County Regional Planning

The change in the Mass schedule is unknown in terms of the timeframe within which it will happen. We are still unsure of the consequences of this shift, both in terms of finance and attendance.

Faith Formation: We have begun advertising for the Faith Formation position again, and have two people that are interested. This is due to the fact the nearby parishes that we have reached out to are not interested in sharing resources at the moment.

Greeter Ministry

Carmella and others are in the process of planning out the guidelines for a Greeter Ministry.

Cleaning Ministry

They will be having a day where the Rosary Altar Society and other volunteers will be cleaning the church before Easter. Chris and Pauline are working with Father Jeff on setting up a Cleaning Ministry, probably not until after Easter, which would be volunteer based. This would primarily consist of dusting, washing windows, and vacuuming.

Depending on how many volunteers there are, the intervals of time between each cleaning are yet to be determined. Currently, the church is cleaning only twice a year by the Rosary Altar Society. (Dominic vacuums weekly and some dusting occasionally). Additionally, we would have to invest in cleaning supplies for volunteers to use, as currently the supplies are brought in by a small group of individuals.

Council Membership/Nominations

As previously discussed, Terry, Peter, and Joe are in the final year of their terms of the council. Nomination slips will be put out towards the end of April or early May, and the drawing of names for new members will be on May 26th. There are other youth interested in replacing Joe as youth representative.

Proposed Changes to Meeting Dates

The spring rummage sale is the first week of April, so the April meeting will be cancelled, and the next meeting will be held on May 7th.

New Business

At noon on May 20th, the luncheon will be held that the Parish Council puts on for the the church staff

Closing Prayer: Terry Clark

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 7th, 2019, 6:30 PM in the Church Hall

Respectfully Submitted,

Joseph Malach