

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Minutes

August 14, 2012

Welcome: Jason Nett opened the meeting and welcomed all the members of the Council and the four guest in attendance: Tommy and Mary Francis Koetter, Brandon Koetter, and Mark Koetter

Opening Prayer: Fr. Day led us in the prayer “**Taking on Christ’s Mission**”

Roll Call: Fr. Day, Diane Martin, Tim Book, Cathy Graninger, Paula Andres, Jason Nett, Connie Missi, Keith Heck, Tony Balmer, Sharon Schmidt, Katherine Orberon, Alfred Schmidt, and Hilda Schmidt were present. Merle Kruer and Betty Vick were excused.

Minutes: Cathy made a motion to pass and Diane seconded.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

Seminarian Pilgrimage/Midday Prayer Aug 15: 25 Seminarian priests will be visiting and have a meal here on Aug 15.

Report on St. Vincent DePaul Confraternity: We are exploring joining with Navilleton and St. Mary of the Knobs to support families in need. Father will be attending a meeting to get additional information.

Christ Our Hope: Our goal in the past was \$10,317.00 and that is our goal again for this year. As in past years 100% of any overage of our goal is to be used for our out-reach ministries. Home Missions of our Archdiocese receives 25% of our overage amount and we are to use the remaining 75% for our Parish out-reach ministries.

Senior Clergy Residence: Father Ripperger will not be returning to Starlight. Father will be approaching the Archdiocese about giving the house and property back to the Starlight Foundation. Brandon Koetter is having a utility easement prepared for our Parish Hall and School Building septic system that is on the Starlight Foundation property.

COMMISSION REPORTS:

Faith Formation: JoAnn Cundiff will be our new 5th/6th grade CFF teacher. We are now looking for a K/1st teacher. CFF registration is scheduled for Aug. 26th for K-12. Sunday classes begin on September 9th. High school and confirmation classes will be on Wednesday evenings. The next Vatican II Program will be on Monday, August 20, at St. Paul, Sellersburg at 7:00PM.

Catholics Youth Ministry: An initial Youth Ministry Commission Meeting was held on August 6, 2012. Current adult members are Connie Missi and Joanne Cundiff. Current youth members

are Grace Missi, Chris Schroder, Jacob Cundiff, Emily Koetter, and Lauren Titus. We discussed responsibilities of representatives and upcoming activities, and a prayer blanket day to benefit Exit 0 Ministries, upcoming Deanery retreats. Several youth expressed interest in redecorating the youth room. More details on redecorating to come next month. Our next meeting is 9/10/12.

Liturgical and Spiritual: The committee met last Thursday. We are looking for additional lectors. We also need a volunteer to update the pamphlets in the back of church. People suggested were Elaine Stiller, Marilyn Rowan, Becky Missi, and Betty Roll.

Maintenance: Father questioned whether we needed to put back up the enclosure around the propane gas tank. Alfred will contact Silgas about having it painted. The carpet is loose at the East entrance in church. Alfred will have Odel Andres look at it. Father is getting a bid for carpet in the residence. Alfred needs a 12 foot step ladder to change the filters in the air handlers in the gym. Father would like for Tim to take down the no longer needed school signs on both Starlight and St John Roads because they are rusting.

Financial Report: The balance in the general account is \$121,460. The balance in the festival account is \$54,500. The Finance Council met on July 24th at which time the 4th quarter Financial Report was finalized. Copies were included in the bulletin the weekend of August 4th and 5th. Hopefully each of you got to review it and read the narrative which accompanied it. We had a good year. We did not need to use festival money to cover operating expenses. Therefore I suggest that this might be a good time to use these funds to complete some projects around the parish like new flooring for the Pastor's residence.

The Finance Council also prepared the budget for fiscal year 2012-2013 to be issued to the parishioners by including it with the bulletin.

The fourth quarter for fiscal year 2011-2012 has ended and the Finance Council will be working on the annual report for submission to the Archdiocese. It is due Sept 15th.

When the festival monies are transferred to the general account, we may need to transfer some funds to our ADLF account. We are limited to three months operating expense cash on hand in the parish General Account. The next meeting is August 28th at 6:30pm.

Ben Heck, Merle, and Father will be attending the Regional Stewardship Meeting on August 23, at St. Mary of the Knobs.

Communication: Publish in an upcoming bulletin information about the upcoming Annual Christ Our Hope Campaign; that we are looking for additional lectors as well as a leader for our Stewardship Commission and catechists for a kindergarten and 1st grade CFF classes.

NEXT MEETING: September 11th at 7:00pm

Father led us in our closing prayers.