

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Minutes

November 11, 2014

Welcome: Keith welcomed all.

Opening Prayer: Father led us in the Opening Prayer - “**Memorare**”

Roll Call: Present: Father Day, Keith Heck, Ryan Kruer, Mike Cundiff, Betty Roll, Vicki Waterbury, Cathy Graninger, Connie Missi, Tony Balmer, Larry Buechler, Lisa Heck

Excused: Bette Buechler, Sharon Schmidt, Merle Kruer

Absent: Stephanie Book, Marlin Andres

Minutes were read. Lisa made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Keith seconded. All approved.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

Christ Our Hope: Our goal was \$10,317. We are currently at \$20,545. We will get the rebate again this year.

Welcome to Larry Buechler - our new Building and Grounds Maintenance Chairperson.

Strawberry Festival: No one has come forward to chair. It can be a co-chair position.

COMMISSION REPORTS:

Catholic Faith Formation: First Reconciliation will be December 14.

Catholic Youth Ministry: Vicki gave a written report. She said she has a couple high school youth interested in the March for Life Pilgrimage set for January 21-24. The cost is \$300 each. Tony made a motion for the parish to subsidize \$200 each after the recipient has paid \$100 deposit. Ryan seconded. All approved.

Father said there's no Youth Ministry budget, so everything is done by need.

Vicki said last Sunday 8 showed up to make breakfast burritos. They made 80. They will deliver on November 22.

She thinks we have enough boys for a basketball team. Cost is \$200/team, plus \$25 per player.

Liturgical and Spiritual Life Ministry: Cathy reported they met and discussed the Thanksgiving Eve Mass, set for Wednesday, November 26 at 7 pm. The bread for each family to take home will come from the Amish. The collection this night will be for the Angel Tree. Also each family is ask to bring canned goods for the Angel Tree families. December 8 is Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Holy Day Masses at 8 am & 7 pm. December 21 is the Penance Service after decorating the church for Christmas. Mary Ann Rosenberger is purchasing 25 baptismal gowns (or bibs). Looking for someone to embroider these. Committee is looking into getting new songbooks. Ours are 15 years old and getting worn. Cathy will have more details about this later.

Maintenance of Buildings & Grounds: Larry reported that he and Alfred walked over the grounds. He has 3-4 volunteers to help with the small jobs. Father will discuss with Larry later on who does our big jobs.

Things noted:

The ice machine is leaking.

They fixed a drain line.

The roof on the school garage is lifted up and needs fixed.

They are going to clean the gutters out soon.

Father read the email (that we received 10-15-14) about approval of railing at church.

Cemetery Report: Dan Regan and Jim Nett work almost every Tuesday straightening up tombstones. There are 710 known burials. Father read a report from Dan Regan (everyone got a copy).

Finance Council: Everyone got a copy of report.

Stewardship Commission Formation: Lisa reported that no one has come forward to be on this committee. Stewardship is mainly about Time, Talent, and Treasure.

What needs to be communicated: Tony Balmer suggested an email or text list to send things out such as parish deaths, etc. Tony will get more information.

Communication:

Next PPC Executive Committee Meeting - December 2, 2014 at 6 pm.

Next PPC Meeting - December 9, 2014 at 7 pm.

Father led us in closing prayers of the "Our Father, Hail Mary, & Glory Be".