

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Minutes

March 13, 2018

Welcome: Brad, chairperson, welcomed all.

Opening Prayer: Father led us in prayer, "Lord God of Holiness Prayer".

Roll Call: Father Day, Rita Smith, Merle Kruer, Leslie Smith, Darlene McCoy, Cathy Graninger, Mary Temple, Tracy Martin, David Miller, Denise Corley, Patrick Oster, Lisa Heck, Brad Denman, Larry Buechler

Excused: Vicki Waterbury, Sharon Schmidt,

Absent:

Approval of Minutes: Merle made a motion to approve minutes. Lisa seconded.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Report from Strawberry Festival Kickoff Meeting. All raffle prizes have been determined. As soon as permit # arrives, the raffle tickets will be printed and distributed. Festival apparel order forms available at church entrances. Due back April 1st. Interactive give-a-way challenges are planned throughout the day in coordination with our 40th festival theme.

Alzheimer Dinner has been set for August 11th.

Father and Merle reported on the Connected in Spirit meeting they attended at Providence HS. No timeline is set yet for any changes, but appears we will link with St Mary's Navilleton Parish.

There will be a special Mass liturgy for the Mitre Society held at St John Church on May 24th with dinner to follow at Huber Winery.

COMMISSION REPORTS

Catholic Faith Formation Ministry

Sharon's report: no report Father reported Ministry is going well in Sharon's absence and we have 6 First Communicants this year.

Catholic Youth Ministry

Vicki's report:

The deanery volleyball team is wrapping up their season! They ended their season in the tournament at St. Mary of the Knobs on Sunday. They had a great season and had more wins than ever before and had a great time together. One team was runner's up in the tournament, beating our other team in the quarter-finals. I am very appreciate to Tim Book for being the volleyball coach and great leader for the teens.

The deanery Youth Mass, Volleyball games, and Dodgeball tournament on Feb. 25 went well. Thanks to Fr. Day for celebrating Mass with these youth. We had around 60 youth in attendance from many churches in our deanery. We had a great group of youth attending ministry positions during Mass, working the volleyball games, and playing dodgeball! A group of boys (and Tim!) from Starlight won the Dodgeball tournament! Trophies were candy!

I have also been promoting our youth helping work the Friday Fish Fry's. The first Friday was a little meager in attendance, but it has picked up dramatically! They are having fun, and even continuing their fellowship afterwards at various houses. It is a great group and I am glad they have the friendships!

Confirmation is going well. Our next session will be April 18th. I am still gathering names and numbers of youth available for Mass on Holy Thursday for the Washing of the feet. I should have the list of names to Fr. Day this week, however, I will be hoping to have at least 6 or the dozen there. Since it falls on Spring Break for public schools, we do have a few that will be out of town, including myself.

I have a few events scheduled for Spring Break

- Middle School Camping Trip in cabins at Buffalo Trace Park, March 21-23. While camping we will also volunteer time at St. Elizabeth's Home, attend Mass at St. Michael Bradford, play games and have fun! Deadline to register is March 12, I have a handful of girls interested so far.
- High School Shanty Town with Navilleton and SMK at ST. Mary of the Knobs, March 30-31. We will start with preparing and creating our Silhouette Stations for anyone to see at 7:00 pm at SMK, in the old chapel. All are welcome! Then we will go the gym and prepare their Shanties. The youth will sleep outside in their cardboard boxes and fast throughout the night. We will also have separate prayer times and make breakfast burritos that will be delivered to the homeless in Louisville that morning.

I think that's it for now! Thank you for letting me stay involved with the youth of the parish. They are a wonderful group!

Vicki

Liturgical and Spiritual Life Ministry

Cathy's report:

Liturgical events:

Monday Evening Lenten Masses continue at 7:00

Fridays during Lent Stations of the Cross at 4:30 with Fish Fry starting at 5:00

March 14, Confirmation Prep Session

March 29, Mass of the Lord's Supper & Adoration until 9:00

March 30, Good Friday 3:00

March 31, Holy Saturday 8:30 PM

April 1, Easter Sunday

April 15, First Communion 10:00 Mass

Item for Discussion

Father will be gone on vacation after Easter until April 10th

Reports:

Decorating for Easter TBA

Gifts, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers – List of those serving are complete

First Communion set for Sunday April 15th at 10:00 Mass

Choir will practice after Monday Evening Lenten Mass starting Feb. 26 until after Easter.

Next meeting moved to May 1, 2018

Building and Grounds Ministry

Larry's report:

New storage building – framing will start next week. Steve found some erosion on the west wall of the building where water had gotten under the floor. A retaining wall was poured to hold out water and partial replacement of the concrete has been done.

Finance Council

Merle's report:

The balance in the general account is \$92,554.27 and the balance in the gaming account is \$5,966.30.

The Finance Council met on February 27th and addressed the following issues:

- Reviewed and approved the latest Mass Stipend bank account reconciliation (balance \$3,760);
- Shared with the group the latest total for the UCA drive (\$34,137);
- Discussed cancelling our garbage pickup contract with Rumpke and pursue contracting with Sweetland mainly due to cost savings and not being locked into a three-year contract as we had with Rumpke.
- Approved a change from a monthly payment to an annual payment to Community Wireless for our internet access. By paying annually they agree to increase our access speed.
- Discussed the two bids (Siemens \$29,940; Knight's Audio \$18,725) for a new sound system in church. No decision was made as we are expecting a third bid to consider. Any decision will need to be brought before the PPC for ratification.
- No other issues were brought before the meeting.

Merle reported that after the Finance Council met, Rumpke was contacted and they made concessions on their contract. Therefore we will be staying with Rumpke. Their concessions will save us between \$25 and \$30 per month and we will have only a two-year contract with the price locked in for those two years.

The next Finance Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 27, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. and all were invited to attend.

Stewardship Commission

Lisa's report: Lisa handed out a flyer she has put together that will be inserted in the bulletin. Cathy made a motion to approve the flyer and Tracy seconded it.

What needs to be communicated:

Mark Koetter came to meeting. He has requested to be paid after each mowing. Father stated payment will be made once a month and Mark agreed.

Questions, Comments, Concerns

Elections of 3 new members will be held in June as Patrick, Tracy and Rita's 3 year terms are expiring. They are responsible to get nominees for the election.

Next Executive meeting is April 3, 2018 at 6 pm

Next Parish Pastoral Council meeting is Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 7 pm.

Father led us in closing prayers. Closing prayer: Lord of Day and Night