

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Minutes

November 13, 2018

Welcome: David, chairperson, welcomed all.

Opening Prayer: Father led us in prayer, "Father, We Thank You".

Roll Call: Father Day, David Miller, Brad Denman, Mary Temple, Larry Buechler, Merle Kruer, Sharon Schmidt, Darlene McCoy, Cathy Graninger, Lisa Heck, Denise Corley, Vicki Waterbury, Tina Lacy, JoAnn Adams, Julie Coots

Excused: Lesley Smith

Absent:

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

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

United Catholic Appeal – lots of forms have been returned already so we are off to a good start with our Pledge Goal.

New Year's Brunch – Denise has contacted the Andres Sisters regarding catering and they agreed on the same price per plate that we paid last year. Denise also supplied a copy of the menu for the brunch. All agreed they will be the caterer for the brunch.

Safe and Sacred training – Father explained the procedures for the training and who is expected to take the training.

Connected in Spirit – Merle reported a 4 Mass schedule will be submitted to the Archbishop for approval. If the 4 Mass schedule is not approved, committee will once again meet with the Navilleton committee to agree on a 3 Mass schedule. Goal # 2 has been discussed by the cohorts.

COMMISSION REPORTS

Catholic Faith Formation Ministry

Sharon's report: Sharon reported the students have been learning about the Saints. Also doing preparation for 1st reconciliation for those to make their First Communion.

Catholic Youth Ministry

Vicki's report: Youth Led Mass – This went very well last Sunday. We had 4 youth trained to be Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, or both the Sunday before. And we have another 2-3 that still want to be trained. Terri Sprigler will offer that again.

After Mass we went to the CJ Smith Breakfast, and then helped Mr. Buck Wiseman. The youth, myself and Tim carried up all their Christmas decorations from their basement. It only took us about 40 minutes and saved them much work and time! He also gave the youth \$100 donation for this service.

Tuesday, November 27, is Tim Book's birthday. The youth have asked if we would celebrate at basketball practice. So, I planned to get a few pizzas and cookies and start the celebration at 7:00. Then Tim and Oliver can have basketball practice following the party. But I am inviting all the youth to come and join in! I will use the funds they just earned and provide 2 new basketballs for the team. We have 13 players on our basketball team this year. We also have Mariel Nash who is interested in playing, but I am not sure how the deanery will react to this. There isn't a female league. I told Tim that if the other coach is ok with it, I was okay with her playing. We will see how it goes from here. Tim and Oliver Book are the coaches.

The youth will be asked to help carry the Thanksgiving donations to the basement after the Mass on Thanksgiving. I will not be in town; however, I will send out communications to families about this opportunity. It usually only takes another 10 minutes.

We will likely host basketball games this winter. I will send our gym availability to the deanery office and we will work out a good day.

Coming in December, we will do our normal Cookie Bake for the homebound or elderly parishioners. Please give me any names of parishioners that you think would like to be visited by the youth and given cookies. I will schedule a date with Ms. Ginny Balmer and use her facility again.

Thank you for this opportunity, Vicki

Liturgical and Spiritual Life Ministry

Cathy's report: Sat/Sun 11/17-18 – United Catholic Appeal Follow Up. Second collection for Campaign for Human Development.

Wed 11/21 – Thanksgiving Day Anticipation Mass at 7:00 – Loaves of bread will be distributed at this Mass. No Mass on Thanksgiving Day.

Sat/Sun 11/24-25 – Feast of Christ the King. End of the Church Year. Old Breaking Bread books will be exchanged for new ones.

Christmas Masses: Monday Christmas Eve – 5:00 children's Mass. 10:00 pm – Adult choir. Tuesday Christmas Morning Mass at 10:00 am.

Next meeting scheduled for December 4, 2018. All are welcome.

Building and Grounds Ministry

Larry's report: Larry reported Steve Smith is working on a bid for the work on the Church Front Entrance, so we can submit it to archdiocese for approval. Interior painting and carpet replacement will be discussed after the exterior work is complete. It was also suggested we consider hard wood floors under the benches vs carpeting. Larry also had a copy of the Agenda for the Cemetery Roundtable session for our review. They are meeting on November 15, 2018.

Finance Council

Merle's report: The balance in the general account is \$29,480.46 and the balance in the gaming account is \$5,412.71.

The Finance Council did not meet in October. We had a few sizeable expenses recently. Some planned and some not planned. We spent \$5,800 for replacing one of the furnace/air conditioners in church; \$2,750 for sealing and striping the east side of the parish gym parking lot; \$1,600 for replacing the wood siding on the parish center; and \$670.31 for repairing the lightning rod on the church building.

The next Finance Council meeting is scheduled for November 27, 2018 at 6:30 pm. All are invited to attend.

Stewardship Commission

Lisa's report: The Stewardship committee met on Thursday 10-25-18 to discuss: A representative from Life Touch met with us to discuss the new options for a parish pictorial directory. We would like to proceed to do a new directory in 2019, with the Parish Council approval. No dates have been committed at this time. Council approved for the Stewardship Commission to proceed.

Tracye Huber, our Angel Tree Coordinator met with us to verify that we will again be sponsoring families from the Head Start of Southern Indiana and the Austin Learning Center.

Our next meeting is tomorrow night Wednesday, 11-14-18 at 7:00 to finalize our Angel Tree Project which is scheduled to kick off at our Thanksgiving Eve Mass.

What needs to be communicated?

Parish Brunch – Sign-up sheets in church the 1st week of December.

Follow up safe and sacred process

Questions, Comments, Concerns

Next Executive meeting is December 4, 2018 at 6 pm

Next Parish Pastoral Council meeting is Tuesday, December 11, 2018 at 7 pm.

Father led us in closing prayer: "Father, We Give You Thanks!"