

Good Shepherd Pastoral Council Minutes

February 7th, 2018

The meeting was called to order by President, Karen Pichla at 7:08 pm. Fr. Charlie led with an opening prayer. Members present: Fr. Charlie, Karen Pichla, Paul Deo, Karen Romzek, Dan Cregeur, Cathy Stacer, Devin Irion, Jo Izydorek, and Shirley Piontkowski. Guests were Sandy Peplinski, Dana Irion, Carolyn Peruski and Sheila Grifka.

Devin approved the minutes as written from the November, 11, 2017 meeting, second by Jo. Voted on and motion passed unanimously.

In Parish News, Fr. reported CSA for 2017 is being paid back at \$1000 per month. We were short \$10,000 for the last drive.

In Diocesan News, Fr. stated that Bishop Cistone has lung cancer and started chemo and radiation treatments for the next 6 weeks. Bishop is still planning on attending Confirmation for the 2nd graders on March 3rd. If he isn't well enough, Fr. Charlie and Fr. Todd will run the celebration.

Finance: Devin stated there was \$96,000 in savings and \$48,000 in checking at the end of January. Thumb Heating and Cooling has been trying different options to improve Argyle church heat without initially replacing the furnace. Sandy mentioned that the Consumer's bill doubled, and was quite costly.

The raffle committee has met. They are looking for 2 volunteers from Ubyly and Argyle to lead the drives at those locations. Dan Creguer and Devin will cover St. C's. If interested, contact Sandy at the office. This year we are raffling off a 2018 Honda Side by Side. There will be 3000 tickets printed at a price of 1 for \$20 or 3 for \$50. There will be 2 Early Bird Drawings and sales will start April 7th. The final drawing will be held June 30th at the Parish Center after Saturday mass. The parish is looking to raise \$20,000 to \$25,000 in profit to help replenish the savings accounts from previous projects and upcoming ones.

Liturgical: Karen Pichla reported that the lighting of the Advent Wreaths went well, and it was nice to have the families announced. The Giving Tree collection at Christmas was \$2380.00. The money was split between the Homeless Coalition of Sanilac and Huron Counties. Some parishioners still like to purchase gifts. They will discuss this at the next meeting.

Christmas Flower collection was \$1712.00.

Alter Servers were trained on January 10th and 17th in Ubyly. There were 4 children and one adult trained.

The Ash Wednesday schedule was reviewed, and Stations of the Cross will be on Wednesdays. St. John's will be Feb 21, 28, March 7, 14, 21, 28th at 7 pm. St. C's will be at 7:30 pm on Feb 21, 28, March 7, 14, and 21st. The 21st will be led by the children and will start at 6:45 pm.

- Easter Schedule: March 29th- Holy Thursday @ St. John's, 7:00 pm
- March 30th- Good Friday @ St. John's, 2 pm
- March 31st- Easter Vigil @ St. John's, 8:30 pm
- April 1- Easter Sunday @ Argyle, 8:30 am, St C's, 10:30 am.
- Saturday, March 3rd is Sacrament of Confirmation at St. John's at 2:00pm with students from Good Shepherd and Parisville. Good Shepherd has about 18 children taking part.
- May 5th is First Communion at St. John's at 5:00 pm Mass.
- On May 6th, students will again celebrate First Communion for St. C's and St. Joseph's parish members at their regular Sunday mass.
- Graduation Mass Schedule for 2018 Seniors: May 19, St. John's 5pm.
- May 20, St. Joseph, Argyle, 8:30 am mass.

- May 20, St. C's at 10:30 am mass.
- July 29th is Feast Day Celebration of St. Ignatius. Mass will be at 9:00 am in Freiburg, and no mass will be held in Argyle that Sunday.
- Holy Day for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be held August 15th at 7 pm at St. John's.
- Next Liturgical Meeting will be September 18th at 7:30 pm at the Parish Center.

Education: Fr. Charlie will distribute ashes at 4:30 to CCD children and families at the Parish Center.

Dana Irion reported on behalf of Faith Formation RCIA and RCIC. She has been working with 2 children for all sacraments and 5 children for Confirmation.

Sheila Grifka, whom works with the JH and HS Youth Group reported on the student activities. They have held meetings on September 24, October 15, November 19, December 3, and January 7. Student attendance ranges from 8 to 17 students. Some are parishioners and some are guest students. Sheila reported it is difficult to schedule meetings with so many activities going on for students. They discuss and work on projects related church topics like Advent Wreaths, Epiphany, and making Thanksgiving cards for senior citizens.

Two students have attended YES (Youth Encounter Service) on two different occasions. This takes place to teach students to work for and with others and give of their talents to those in need.

My Faith will be held at SVSU on 8-11-18 for grades 9-12. Sheila is looking for someone to help with the youth group at the JH and HS level.

Christian Outreach: Jo reported she is still sending out cards to those for celebrations, sickness, sympathy, or other events. Contact her at 810-705-2948, or joizydorek@gmail.com. She is also willing and looking for help in organizing Easter meals for Parish Shut-ins. Send her names and addresses of parishioners that could use an Easter meal.

Christian Mothers: Shirley reported at their January 8th meeting, 19 members were present. The Bingo is scheduled for Feb 11th at the Parish Center, Family Fun Night is March 10th, and their next meeting is 2-13-18. Carolyn Peruski inquired about getting more outlets added to the Parish Center kitchen. Often times during dinners, breakers are being over loaded and tripping. She also noted that if the tables for the gym are in such bad shape, we should look into replacing them. A lengthy discussion was held. Fr. said it would be far too expensive just to go out and buy new ones all at once, but maybe we should look at a long term plan of replacing them a few at a time.

New Business: The St. John's school was addressed. The current owner has an agreement with Uibly Schools for them to purchase the building. The current contract between the parish and owner has yet to be fulfilled. Several options were discussed, but no action was taken at the time.

Cathy Stacer is now the Parish Boy Scout Representative. She fulfilled the necessary training allowing the parish to sponsor the troop.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 18th, 2018 at 7:00 at the Parish Center.

Motion to adjourn by Devin with a second by Cathy. Unanimously approved. Meeting concluded at 8:45 pm with the reciting of the "Our Father".

Submitted by Pastoral Council Secretary, Karen Romzek