

Good Shepherd Pastoral Council Minutes

April 18, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Paul Deo at 7:00. Fr. Charlie led with an opening prayer. Members Present: Fr. Charlie, Paul Deo, Debbie Peruski, Jo Izydorek, Cathy Stacer, Dan Cregeur, Karen Romzek. Absent: Karen Pichla, Devin Irion, Shirley Piontkowski.

Motion for the approval of the Minutes from Feb. 7th, 2018 was made by Jo I., and seconded by Dan C. Voted on motion with unanimous approval.

State of the Parish: Fr. spoke of the CSA letters that were mailed out. Reassured the council that CSA funds are not to be used with the dealings of the recent abuse cases. We still have 3 months more of payments on last year's CSA, totaling about \$3300. Parish staff has worked to remove inactive parishioners to reduce CSA. Fr. also stated that the Bishop is finished with his treatments and the outlook seems positive. There will be 1 new priest ordained in June for the Saginaw Diocese.

Finance Committee: Dan addressed the current raffle for the Parish. Tickets are out, and flyers are printed. Kevin Grifka will head up the sales at St. John's, Dan and Devin will handle St. C's, and possibly Steve Briolat will cover Argyle. Tickets are available at mass or the parish office.

Liturgical Committee: Karen Pichla sent a report, stating all Holy Week masses and the Lenten Schedule went well. Easter celebrants that received Baptism, Confirmation and/or First Communion were: Javien Michael Susalla, Alexander John Susalla, Scott Michalski and Autumn Michalski. 20 children received the Sacrament of Confirmation of March 3rd. May 5th at 5:00 mass at St. John's will be the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. Children are also welcome to participate in the Sunday masses at St. C's and St. Joseph's on May 6th. Graduation mass will be May 19th at St John's at 5:00 mass. Graduates will be given bibles from the Christian Mothers. Graduates are also welcome to participate in the Sunday celebrations as well.

Administrative Committee: Council heard a list of possible candidates for upcoming parish council seats. A few parishioners have graciously agreed to throw their name in the hat. Argyle site still needs representation. New members will be selected at the meeting on June 14th, 2018.

Education: Shelia Grifka submitted a report stating that the Youth Group meeting in Feb. was cancelled because of the weather. They did meet in March and April with somewhat low attendance. They are hoping attendance will improve as the weather improves. Youth Group secured 2 adult volunteers to help the youth during the Bismack Open in May.

Christian Mothers: Shirley submitted a report stating that at the March meeting 16 members were present. The bingo event was well attended despite the change in the schedule because of the weather. Family Fun Night was held March 10. It was a success with improvements made every year. Brenda Stomack is looking for someone to train to take over the straw raffle.

If you are interested, contact the Parish Office. Dave Maurer donated his time, talent, and materials to upgrade the power in the kitchen area so numerous roasters can be used simultaneously. Sharlene Hagen stepped down as the Vice President of the Christian Mothers. Scholarships for this year will be reviewed and the selection completed in the near future. The Ugly Homecoming Garage Sale will be discussed at the next meeting which is May 9th at the Franklin Inn.

Christian Outreach: Jo I. reported she is still willing and able to send out cards for all kinds of occasions. Just contact her at 810-971-9685.

Buildings and Grounds: St. Joseph furnace hasn't been installed yet. The drywall hasn't been repaired in St. John's because some more brick needs to be tuck pointed before the repair should begin. St. Columbkille basement door and steps need some attention.

New Business: The Argyle Parking lot needs some attention around the catch basin near the road. Paul Deo has committed to help take care of patching the area where the water lays and work at getting it to actually flow toward the basin. The sink hole in the parking lot lies in the right of way of M-19. With M-19 being redone this summer, it should be addressed by the MDOT.

Old Business: The sale of the St. John's school is now complete.

The next meeting is set for June 14, 2018 at St. Joseph Argyle hall at 7:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40, with Fr. Charlie leading the Lord's Prayer.

Submitted by Pastoral Council Secretary, Karen Romzek