

Church of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Parish Council Minutes

11-15-22

Members Present: Carla Riley, Father Todd Schneider, Penny Rhoda, Jackie Dripps, Mary Holm, Deb Solvie, Hayley Jay, Jeff Boyle, Keith Durkee, Patty Kill, Kitty Mahoney, Doug Moscho, Angel Franco

Carla called the meeting to order @ 6:35pm

Jackie read the Gospel from Luke

Approval of November Agenda: Motion by Deb, Second by Hayley

Approval of October minutes: Motion by Deb, Second by Jeff

Approval of October financials: Motion by Mary, Second by Hayley

Nicole Berlinger was present to give a report about faith formation: All classes are being held on Wednesday evenings with grades 1-6 from 7:00-7:45, and grades 7-10 from 7:00-8:15pm. There are 61 elementary students and 54 high school students. There are 13 students preparing for confirmation on March 12th, and 36 students preparing for first reconciliation on January 7th, and first communion on Sunday May 7th. She stated that less than half of the students attending classes attend Mass on a regular basis. Any suggestions to help improve Mass attendance would be appreciated. Thank you to all the teachers who give of their time to teach! Nicole will need to purchase a new computer to keep up with demands. Grant money will help cover the cost.

Lenten speaker: Mary reported that Julia Dabbs will give a presentation on the stained glass windows, and it was decided to choose a day separate from the St' Patrick's Day dinner (TBD). Mary also suggested for Lent to have a presentation given by those who traveled to the Holy Land, and to see if the Morris Theater would be willing to show the movie "No Greater Love" (a movie about Mother Theresa). Jackie will see if the travelers will agree and Kitty is checking with the theater about the movie possibility.

The parish council will be delivering poinsettias to the families of those who have died this year. Jackie will order the poinsettias and Patty will get cards ready for the council members to sign as well.

There was a motion by Father Todd and a second by Deb to have the December meeting hosted by Jackie at her home on 12-20-22.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration with our Hispanic community will be on 12-10-22. There is a potluck after the Mass in the church basement. Father Todd encouraged all to attend.

The KC's will be serving the St Patrick's Day dinner on Sunday March 19 after mass. The proceeds are to aid the Helping Hands fund. **Many thanks to the KC's for all the ways in which they serve our parish community!!!**

Roof repair update: Father Todd reported that Catholic Mutual and All Star are still trying to negotiate on a settlement price, and it is felt that it will be agreed upon soon.

Keith reported for the KC's: St. Patrick's Day dinner plans are under way. They talked about the men taking advantage of retreats in the area. They are also encouraged to attend adoration on the first Thursday of the month.

Father Todd's Pastoral report: The Shroud of Turin traveling exhibit is scheduled to come to our parish September 18-20th, 2023. Father Todd will be asking the KC's and the Service/Fellowship committee to possibly help fund this event.

Father Todd shared the mass counts from July and October along with monetary donation percentages. This information can be helpful in determining the budget of the interior remodeling project.

Penny led the closing prayer.

Motion to adjourn by Jackie, Second by Patty-meeting adjourned @ 8:15pm

Respectfully submitted by Penny Rhoda, parish council secretary.