Parish Council Minutes

10-17-2019

**Members present**: Fr. Matthew Kuhn, Deacon Randy Altstadt, Deacon Richard Quistorff, Eileen Westland, Nick Murdock, Lori Curtis, Cheryl Prososki, Mark Winjum, Heidi Kalina, Adam, Carol Schmitz and Tami Kalina.

Members absent: Steve Bormann

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM led by Nick Murdock.

Fr. Matthew led us in prayer.

Minutes approved after correction on formation plan (Cheryl will lead a sub-committee).

Agenda approved.

**Financial Summary:** as of end of September

25.00% Budget

25.37% Parish Income

4.80% Adult collections

Heated sidewalk paid off, causing expenses to be up a bit.

**Formation and Pastoral Plan**: Went over chapter 7-9 on Redeeming Conflict Summary; Know and Steady Thyself, Pray to forgive and Repent. Relationships are more important than being right. Be willing to forgive and repent/voluntarily sacrifice.

**Old Business**

**Holy Cross Parish Mission** with Brendan Case is rescheduled for January 11-16, 2020. Theme: The Gifts of the Holy Spirit. Saturday is an all-day workshop.

Discussed how to better welcome/integrate the Hispanic community in our parish life: try getting more spanish speaking priests?

December 12th, 2019 Feast of Our Lady Guadalupe. Speaker is Flor Guajardo (spanish).

**New Business:**

Welcomed & invited guest Michael Mettler (Director of Music and Liturgy). He explained his position / main duties with our parish;

1. Scheduling (currently working on new system to save money)

2. Copy rights are taken care of legally

3. Music - talked about possibly more choirs for events

4. Marriage - organizing dates

5. Involve parishoners in liturgy more

6. Schedule servers (Father trains them)

We all brainstormed how to encourage more members to become involved liturgically. a) need younger families to volunteer - get involved, b) personal invitations, c) explain to congregation more of what we need by using "easier to understand" verbage. Also talked about adding a choir now and then to the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

Went over St. Henry's Organizational Chart - some of these committees do not meet on a regular basis, unless needed. The chart is in chain of command order.

**Reports:**

\*NCACC - meeting 10/28/19 - A bulletin insert will list upcoming events.

\*Led by the Light campaign update - Thermometers throughout the narthex. Good number of pledges coming in.

\*Liturgy Committee - no new news

\*Religious Education & Youth Ministry - Still in need of one 5th grade teacher. Money is being raised for bibles for all students.

\*Maintenance Committee - Waiting on bids for gutters and insulation for Someplace Safe building.

\*Pastor's Report - Father Matthew's Mother's book is a suggested donation of $15.00. Preparing to publish Volume 2.

Next meeting: Thursday, November 21st, 2019, 7:00pm

Closing prayer led by Deacon Randy

Adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Schmitz