

St. Joseph's Parish Council Minutes
May 9, 2022, 6:30 p.m.

Present: Fr. Hyde, Lizzy Sachar, Carolyn Sabloski, Ken Schrank, Lisa Vitale, Paul Vitale, Sue Tschernjawski, Mark Ferranti, Jim Cunningham, Sr. Ellen, Pat Morocco, Alex Abdo, (via Zoom), Kathy Dunham, Barry Copeland.

Absent: Melodie Cunningham, Avery Reina

Opening Prayer: Fr. Hyde

Pat M. called the meeting to order; March 14th meeting minutes were approved.

Items for Action:

Recruitment of PC volunteers-Sr. Ellen will be approaching 4, all PC members are asked to approach anyone that may be interested, there is a present need for 2. Parish Trustees-Ken Schrank & Kathy Dunham have "re-upped" their term. Parish Yearbook-Fr. Hyde will be discussing with John Heagerty process to get it started. Music Ministry-Alan Lynch requests permission to re-arrange the choir area, PC ok with the plan, Fr. Hyde to discuss with Alan & Choir to proceed.

Council Reports: Committee reports (please see individual reports for more details) were reviewed and discussed; a summary included:

Finance: Ken Schrank reported donations remain down, particularly in loose cash, passing the basket will be re-instituted soon, March other income included an estate gift that was in April's budget, 5/24 is the next finance meeting where next year's budget will be discussed.

Music ministry: Bell choir to be formed soon, Mother's day trombone event went great, "hymns we love to sing" program to begin, with Fr. Hyde & PC approval, Alan will be re-organizing the choir space in the church to be more appealing to all.

Youth Ministry: Teen Faith, Confirmations, Easter Egg Hunt, Spruce up, "a lot going on".

Homebound Ministry: Easter Cards to senior parishioners, Communion Services to Camillus Ridge, Bulletins & Communion calls to homebound parishioners, great programs!

Buildings and Grounds: new water fountain installed, getting estimates for office carpeting & roof repair, Parish clean-up day was huge success, new grill purchased with scrap metal \$.

Pre-School: no new updates.

Pastors Report: Fr. Hyde reported that "Formed" will be encouraged more in the upcoming months with more active involvement, particularly a "Eucharist" educational program for parishioners. Fr. Hyde discussed with PC the idea of re-arranging the choir area. A Fall Stewardship Campaign will be announced soon. The Business Manager position has several applicants, interviews will begin soon. Faith Formation Director resignation, Cindy Heath to take the position. Holy week went very well, attendance was low d/t Spring break being the same week. Evangelization program to be instituted soon. Need volunteers for Quarterly meetings with the Diocesan Pastoral Counsel-Sue T. & Alex A. volunteered to take 2 meetings each, per year.

New Business: Fr. Hyde reported that they will be looking into replacing / repairing Church doors so that they are safer and more handicapped accessible. Sr. Ellen requested that the PC consider doing something to thank John H. & Kristyn S. for their service upon departure. Carolyn S. requested that the Rosary Society is added to the bulletin. Pat M. inquired about St. Joseph's response to any potential protests in light of recent politics related to abortion-Fr. Hyde discussed with PC.

Closing prayer: Fr. Hyde.

Adjournment: 8:05 p.m.

Next meeting: June 13th, 2022