

St. Patrick's Parish Finance Council
Quarterly Meeting Minutes
July 20, 2017

Members Present: Dennis Makoutz, Chair; Father Joseph Pete; Lisa Meyer, Bookkeeper; Deacon David Dose; Gary Timm; Dave Scharpen; Bill Sexton; Connie Wittek.

The meeting was called to order at 7:02. Deacon David led the Finance Council in prayer.

A few additions were made to the agenda, which was then approved.

Financials: Lisa Meyer, Bookkeeper, presented the parish's financial statements including the Balance Sheet, the 4th Quarter Income and Expenses, and the Year-end Income and Expenses. There were a few questions and some discussion about each portion of the financial report. The parish is financially sound. The financial reports were approved as presented.

Water Sampling: Bill Sexton reported that all the recent testing results were fine. There will be another test in a month. If those results continue to be positive, we will resume quarterly testing.

2017 Catholic Ministries Appeal Update: The CMA is the diocese's annual assessment for its expenses. St. Patrick's goal for the past year was \$6,420. Parishioners really came through. Paid and pledged dollars amounted to 106.6% of goal! The additional 6.6% comes back to our parish. Thank you, everyone.

Altar Wood Floors: Brogan Flooring of Rochester will be refinishing the altar flooring beginning next Monday, July 24. They will be finished by Wednesday evening.

Faith Formation Coordinator: After conducting interviews for the position, Father Pete offered the ministry of Faith Formation Coordinator to Kendra Walker of our parish. The contract runs for 10 months, from September through June. Kendra will meet in early August with Father Pete and Becca Weiss, St. Mary's FF Coordinator. Both Becca and Amy Cronin have offered support to Kendra as she begins this position.

Parking Lot Sealcoat: Bill Sexton will contact Seal King from Fairbault, as they have applied the past two sealcoats. Bill will also seek bids from a few other vendors. The goal is to have the job completed as soon as possible (making sure not to conflict with any events like the Fall Rummage Sale).

2017-2018 Budget: Dennis Makoutz and Lisa Meyer will begin putting the FY 17-18 budget together as soon as the numbers for insurance costs, pension expenses, etc. arrive from the Diocese.

Twins Game for Altar Servers in September: There is a Sunday afternoon game in September designated for altar servers from Minnesota churches. St. Patrick's will invite our servers and make a reservation for tickets shortly. Vans will be used to transport the children. If St. Mary's wants to send its servers as well, a school bus might be rented to transport them all.

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New Parking Lot Lighting: This item will be put on hold until the overflow lot is paved next year. Paving is recommended to make it easier for snow removal, avoiding mud during rain, etc. There is a possibility of temporary lighting in the overflow lot for Christmas Eve Mass.

Mass on the Farm: This event is for both St. Mary's and St. Patrick's parishioners and is intended to be a social event. The facilities and the music have been donated. The only major expense will be the catering from Delila. The planning committee may decide to ask for a free-will offering to help cover the costs.

The next Finance Council meeting will be held Thursday, October 26, 2017. Mass will begin at 6:30, with the meeting following immediately at 7 p.m.

The closing prayer was led by Deacon David Dose. The meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Constance M. Wittek, Secretary