

Parish Council Meeting, October 19, 2017

Present: Fr. Brian, Connie, Bob, Jim, Kevin, Mary Porter (replacing Geri Comstock)

Absent: Josh and Priscilla

Guest: Mark Selle

6:12 Fr. Brian opened with prayer

Minutes of September 21, 2017 were approved.

New Business:

Mark Selle, Principal of Cataldo Catholic School and St. Joseph parishioner spoke in regards to the need of a school at St. Joseph's. He feels we can pull students from Deer Park, Springdale, Chewelah, Colville, and Newport areas. He feels we can easily start teaching fall of 2018. He plans to submit a survey via Flocknote, Sunday announcements and discussed presenting information with parishioners after each mass.

The need of a bus stop possibly at the corner of Monroe and 395 to pick up students from surrounding areas was discussed. The question of start-up funds was asked, in which Mark felt we would need around \$80,000. The support of Knights of Columbus for fund raising and other means were mentioned. He also feels we could operate our school with an acting Administrator-teacher, one full-time teacher, and one part-time aide depending on student registration. Secretarial staff to be determined. The grade levels may be based on the results of the survey.

Fr. Brian will submit a letter to the Bishop for his approval of survey. The motion was moved, seconded and passed. After a feed-back from parishioners, we will need to have a special meeting to determine whether we should continue discussing plans of starting a school. Fr. Connell and Katie Rieckers, Director of Catholic Education will be included with findings. Fund raising, tuition, and parish support was mentioned. 5% of last year's ordinary income could be applied toward start-up costs. The purchasing of 5 acres on south end of property was discussed. The motion was moved, seconded and passed to proceed with submitting an offer.

Christmas Mass Schedule:

Fr. Brian mentioned that the 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Christmas masses could be spoken masses and 6, 10, and 11:-- p.m. masses accompanied with music. Monday mass will be at 10:00 a.m. Fr. Brian would like to have a children's choir during the December's children mass at 4:00 p.m.

Liturgy Procession:

Liturgy procession changes for the Extraordinary Ministers will begin the first Sunday of Advent 2017. The EM's will pray with Fr. Brian before mass begins then, they will take their place in the pews before the procession. Instead of approaching the alter during the Lamb of God, they will approach the alter after we say "Lord I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof"...

Old Business:

- a. Capital Campaign: Gym, Multi-Use building, Joe Schroeder will be assisting with this project.
- b. Letter to Zeigler: regarding 7 window wells for Rectory. Unfortunately they are not able to assist us.
- c. Bar Sink: The motion was moved, seconded and passed in the September 21st Parish Council meeting and Mike Schmidt will be installing sink to right of coffee pots.
- d. Rectory Cost Figures: Were presented with no discussion.
- e. Cantors: Connie Schmidt has contacted Gonzaga and Whitworth Universities with no interest yet. I await responses from interested students from Mead and Mt. Spokane High School Music Departments.

Closing prayer by Fr. Brian

Next Meeting: November 16, 2017, 6 p.m.

Meetings submitted by: Connie Schmidt