

NOTES from Parish Council Meeting November 18, 2020

OLD BUSINESS

Capital Campaign Update: We continue to be very grateful and appreciative to all of our pledgers for both campaigns.

Facilities Faith Lift I: This past month, no new payments were made against the FFL I Campaign.

- Currently we have outstanding pledge payments remaining in the amount of \$50,873.32, which is 4.6% of our total current pledged amount of \$1,115,608.18.
- We will continue to leave the books open until the FFL II Campaign recording period is completed on July 1, 2021.

Facilities Faith Lift II: Our Facilities Faith Lift II began on July 1, 2018. Our pledge goal was initially \$950,000.

- To date, we have received \$735,235.95 in pledges from 259 parish families; the increase due to payments made by families who chose not to pledge, but to pay as they are able and by families who pledged initially and have added to their pledge. This is an increase of this month of \$752.60 over the last report in October.
- Total pledges paid to date are \$600,786.21 or 81.7% of the total pledged amount.
- The pledge balance due is \$134,449.74 or 18.3% of the total pledged amount.
- We have also deposited \$5,871.13 for our Pennies to Bricks program since July, 2018 and \$18,555.97 in total pennies collected for BOTH campaigns!

Building Expansion Update:

- We have received permission from the Bishop for the next and final phase of the exterior renovation. We have signed the contract with Burkey Construction and are in the permit phase, which could take a month or two. The thought is that construction will begin after the new year, with the hope for the project to be completed by Easter.

Parish Giving: As of this report we have a total of 170 parish families who have signed up for online Sunday Collections to date.

- On average, our projected monthly online Sunday Collection is \$20,788.25, and our annual online Sunday Collections total is predicted to be \$249,459 (approximately 38%) of our Sunday Collections budget for this new Fiscal Year 2020/2021 of \$650,000.

NEW BUSINESS

- Deacon Joe presented some information ChristLife, which is an Evangelization program. The program is seven weeks in duration, progressing through the following three phases: "discovering Christ", "following Christ", and "sharing Christ". Each session starts with Praise & Worship, then an opening prayer, followed by a video. Once everyone watches the video, the attendees break out into small groups for discussion, and then all return to the larger group to end the session. The plan would be to hold these sessions as virtual meetings, using ZOOM or a similar format.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building & Grounds:

- The HVAC systems in the upstairs are being upgraded and lights are being replaced with LEDs.
- See Building Expansion Update for additional Building and Grounds updates.

Parish Life: No Report

Finance: No Report

Fundraising: The fundraising committee met on Nov. 9, 2020.

- **Basket Party :**

- Total profit was \$9,001 which was approximately \$1,600 less than last year (last year's profit was \$10,618.50).
- No food available for purchase this year and that was approximately \$725 of our proceeds last year.
- Total of 206 tickets sold this year (228 sold in 2019). There were 28 on-line participants and 135 pre-scheduled appointments for 14 different time slots. There were several walk-ins after each of the Masses.
- This year we had 4 special raffle items. Last year we had 5 special raffle items and our income on those last year was \$674.00. The total income from the raffle items were \$1,162.00.
- The total payout on the 50/50 was \$284.00 vs. \$500.00 last year.
- EVALUATION: The event was very successful, all things considered with the Pandemic. We received several positive comments from the participants.

- **Food Fest:**

- The event will take place on Dec. 4 & 5. Food will have been ordered ahead of time and picked up on those days from 4 to 6:30 on Saturday and 8:30 to 12:30 on Sunday.
- Menu consists of Mrs. Kern's haluski, Deacon Jim's chicken noodle soup & Italian wedding soup, homemade meatballs, and plates of homemade cookies.
- Orders have been submitted both online and through the office for the past week and a half. As of Nov. 17, we have received 43 orders totaling \$1,227 thus far.
- Order forms will be in the bulletin this Sunday. Flocknotes will also be sent out again. The last day to order is Nov. 25 as supplies need to be ordered and the food needs to be made.

- Meatballs will be made in the Church kitchen on Dec. 2, and the haluski will be made in the kitchen on Dec. 3 & 4. All homemade cookies are being donated.

- **Raffle/Lottery:**

- The committee is trying to come up with additional fundraisers for the New Year.

Knights of Columbus:

Upcoming Events:

- Adoration Hour: We continue to support a weekly adoration hour from 1:00 to 2:00 AM on Friday mornings.
- 5th Sunday Rosary: Next Rosary is November 29th, we will be joining the Parish Family Rosary (at 10:15).
- Parish Military Member Christmas Cards: We will be sending out Christmas Cards this month to our Parish Military Family Members.
- PAR Electronics Recycling: Scheduled for Saturday, December 5th
- Multi-Service Thanksgiving Food Drive: We are partnering with St. Vincent DePaul Society
- Baby Bottle Fundraiser: Still discussing when to start and how to conduct this event
- Knights in the Morning: On hold
- Knights Monthly Breakfast: On hold, but we're discussing a "Take Out Breakfast Sandwich" Fundraiser

Human Concerns/Health Ministry/St. Vincent DePaul:

- **Human Concerns:** The coat drive was a success. Love Lights will be on sale the weekends of Nov. 28/29, Dec. 5/6, and Dec. 12/13. Donations for the Warming Tree will be collected starting Nov. 28/29.
- **St. Vincent DePaul:** One family was helped with rent, and two Walmart gift cards were given out.

Evangelization: See New Business

Youth Group:

- We helped a parishioner move mulch on their property on 10/24; we had 5 teens help. They did awesome!
- The Youth Leadership Council has 10 Breast Cancer Awareness bracelets left. Each bracelet is \$1. If you would like to purchase one, please contact Heather! All money raised will be donated to a charity.
- Salsa will be delivered FINALLY this Friday 11/20 and available for pickup after all Masses this weekend.
- We are planning to help with the Festival of Trees this year for the Parish. Our theme for the tree is "Pizza for our Youth". We will be making pizza shaped salt dough ornaments to put on the tree as well.
- Our next meeting is 11/22 – we are having a small turkey feast, games, fellowship and always....FUN!
- Poinsettia orders forms are due by this Sunday, November 22nd. Pick-up is on December 5th and 6th after Masses.

Parish/Staff Items:

- It was decided that the Preschool will not open this year. Some parents who had previously shown an interest in sending their children have changed their minds.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, December 16, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room.