

Cathedral of St. Mary

Parish Council Minutes

May 14, 2019

Fr. Andrew opened the meeting with Prayer.

Attendance (Those present in Bold) Fr. August Koeune, **Carey Hartmann, Kelsey Kean**, Ed Avery, **Rosemary Barrett, Flossie Vance, Maynard Richmeier, Dianne Gonnely**, Patrick Lane, John Lynch, **Renee Cudney**, Father Jamion Dominic, **Father Andrew Kinstetter, Brian Greene** and Jim Casey.

April meeting minutes were approved after a motion by Maynard Richmeier, and a second by Brian Greene.

Financial Report

Fr. Andrew reported on the Funding for the Bells. Fr. August wants to wait until after the Living and Giving Appeal to ask for funding for this project. Fr. August would also like the Parishioners to help support our Maintenance Fund account. We have three big projects that need attention; The Front Doors to the Church. The front doors and all the side doors will cost about \$30,000. We could do a couple of doors a year so we could split up the cost. The eaves need to be fixed or replaced, there was no monetary dollar amount given. The third item is providing Olivet Cemetery software to help have better record keeping. Right now most is done on paper.

Old Business

Parishioner Concerns: there is no update on the cement pad area by the Office/Rectory. Fr. August will report on this next month.

Church Bells: As I stated in the Financial Report, Fr. August asked us to not start fund raising until after the Living and Giving Appeal.

Run the Legend Marathon: We will make sure the parishioners are informed early enough to plan accordingly for the morning.

Website History of past Priests: Kelsey has not been able to write up a report for the front office to place on our website.

Parish Council Nominations: Rosemary Barrett cannot run again because the bylaws state no more than two consecutive terms a member can hold. Carey Hartmann and Ed Avery will run for a second term. Carrie has sent to the front office information about accepting nominations for Parish Council elections.

New Business

Parish Concerns there were none.

Representative Report:

Cathedral Guild: Flossie reported there was one funeral reception for April. Cathedral Guild hosted a "Soup"er Luncheon for their April meeting. The cost of \$5.00 for the lunch was donated to Catholic Charities along with diapers, wet wipes and 2 gas cards worth \$15.00 each. The Spring Bake sale held on the weekend of April 13 & 14th collected \$3500. This is one of our most successful bake sale. The funds will go to Mary's Fund for our state project.

Knights of Columbus: Maynard said nothing to report other than the Knights will be cooking for the Field Day in May for St. Mary's School. We are happy to have Maynard back we missed his humor and disposition.

Mall of St. Vincent De Paul: Diane said they have donated \$14,000 donations around the town. Diane is concerned that her board for St. Vincent De Paul has no term limits. Diane would like term limits, she feels there needs to be more structure. She showed the bylaws to Matt Potter from the Diocese and he said they didn't make sense. The Parish Council suggested that Diane visit with Fr. Tom Cronkelton to find out what legality need to be in place to rewrite the bylaws. We will be visiting this again at our next future meetings; June and July.

Youth Alternatives recognized St. Vincent and awarded them for Volunteer appreciation. They have a few students from Youth Alternatives that help them in the store. We are also proud to say that our Parish Council member Jim Casey was a recent recipient of the Youth Alternatives "Making a Difference" award.

In April, Halladay Motors in Cheyenne WY, where Jim Casey is the Vice President and General Manager, was also awarded 2019 Better Business Bureau torch Award for Ethics. Congratulations.

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Youth Ministry: Renee reported that the last Youth Night was last week. They ate pizza and played a game. Our Baccalaureate Mass is Sunday May 26th at 5pm. There will be cake and punch after Mass and present the seniors with a small gift. The summer combined Youth program begins June 2nd and have various summer activities until the middle of August. Kara provided copies to the Parish Council. The Confirmation retreat is Aug 2nd – August 4th at YMCA of the Rockies in Estes Park.

Young Adult: Young Adult Women's Group meet every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at the Cathedral from 7:30-8:30pm. We have one young woman seeking information about RCIA for the upcoming year. Young Adult Men's Group meet every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the Month. A special Adoration night for Wednesday May 22nd Topic is praying the scriptures (Lectio Divina) and finding healing with Fr. August. A reception in Hartmann Hall will follow.

Religious Education: Last week was First Communion we had 19 students that received Jesus for the first time. We have one student that will make her First Communion at the Noon Mass on June 2nd. Her Grandparents were out of the country and they asked if they could do it on a later date.

VBS this year will be our first combined session with St. Joseph on June 24-28th it is free and dinner will be provided at St. Joseph from 5:15-5:45pm. VBS will be from 6-8pm at St. Joseph church for grades PreK-6th grade.

Committee Reports:

Volunteer Recognition: Kelsey said they will have a write up on the PTO volunteers of the quarter this weekend in the Bulletin and there will be a Blessing at all Masses for the PTO Volunteers. Brian Greene made a motion to recognize the Knights of Columbus as the July- September quarter volunteers, Rosemary Barrett 2nd it. Renee Cudney suggested that they wear their uniforms to the Mass when they are honored.

Security: Pat Lewis Safety Ministry Chair, met with the Eucharistic Ministers to discuss safety improvements made to date especially protecting the collection. May 15th CPR, AED and First Aid Training for ten staff. There will be training at a later date for others in the Parish. Neill ordered signs for the North parking lot that say this area is under surveillance to help prevent theft from automobiles. Also new signs that point to the bathrooms that are visible and off the wall.

Social Concerns: Rosemary reported that the bulletin last week had a write up on what they do and asking for parishioners to designate money to social concerns in the yellow envelopes or in the display rack at the West Entrance. Rosemary will have a monetary dollar amount that has been given out for our next meeting.

Amazing Parish: Carey said Amazing Parish is looking for a facilitator that can be a Strategic Planner and attend meetings and help with the Mission planning. Amazing Parish is posting Mission moments in the bulletin to keep the ideas that were shared at the Mission and how they relate to the Liturgical Readings at the Weekend Masses. Amazing Parish will host a one day retreat in October to see how small groups can be used and implemented in our Parish.

Other Business:

Food Truck rally's this summer. Fr. Andrew has scheduled the last Wednesday of each month May-August for Food Trucks in the North Parking Lot 5pm-8pm. We hope that it will be advertised better that people will know this is a public event not a church event. We have 5 trucks in the mix for May 26th. Fr. Andrew will be going on the radio to advertise for all the summer Food Truck Rally's. Neill made cards for library and signs to post around town to let the community know this is open to the public.

Meeting was adjourned, following a closing prayer.

Submitted by,

Renee Cudney

Acting Secretary

