

Parish Council Meeting

May 13th, 2021

In attendance: Father James Schumacher, John Schumacher, Sarah Adams, Peggy Whiteplume, Kyle Washut, Teresa Miller, Judy Cox, Renee Stong

Meeting was opened with a prayer.

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

COVID-19 Update: As of May 14th, masks are recommended, but not required. For people who are sensitive or would feel more comfortable wearing a mask, a seating section will be available in Boeseke Hall. Windows will be opened and there will be ample room made for appropriate distance to allow parishioners to travel from the main church to bathrooms, etc., if needed. Communion will be distributed to people in Boeseke first.

Hymnals will be returned to the pews on May 30th.

Youth Ministry:

A youth minister has been hired: Beth Eby. She will be starting in September, 2021. A write up to introduce her to the Parish will be put into the bulletin closer to September.

The youth meetings will be changed to Thursday evenings and Beth has asked that they have a weekly meeting.

Small group activities have been discussed to incorporate middle school aged students with older students. Beth is open for input. She has stated she will be available during the Summer.

There has been no forward movement on Vacation Bible School. There may be a collaboration with a person at St. Margaret's. If Vacation Bible School were to occur, it would probably be in July.

See's candy is still available until May 29th.

The rummage sale will be happening. Help is needed the first week of June with set-up and organization.

Renee is working on a grant for funds for the youth minister through the Wyoming Catholic Ministries Foundation.

World Youth Day: There is a meeting planned with Joe Wotowa, the formations director with the diocese, to discuss developments. There is a possibility that WYD may be moved from 2023 to 2024.

The Rodeo is on for the Summer. An idea was proposed to allocate 75% of funds to the youth program and 25% to WYD. John discussed what volunteering at the rodeo was like: Volunteers are needed 2 weeks prior to the event to help with cleaning and possible repairs. The concession nights would be the nights of July 3rd and July 4th. On the mornings of the 4th and 5th, cleaning needs to be done. Payment for this clean-up is paid by the Rodeo. A suggestion was made to offer money to the Knights of Columbus for their help at the rodeo as well.

Father's Day: John stated that the church will help pay for supplies to possibly provide breakfast burritos to Father's on Father's day. He will check with the Knights to help determine amounts needed. Peggy has asked people from St. Anne's to help after Masses on those days.

Bishop's Talk;

The Bishop will present his plan for 2030 on Sunday, May 23rd at 1:00 pm in Boeseke Hall. There will be refreshments. Volunteers from St. Anne's will help with the serving.

Topics will include grouping the diocese into Pastorates which would include one priest with one base church and one mission church and categories of Parish life. A notice will be put into the bulletin regarding this.

Father mentioned that Catholic Extension is setting up a pilot program to train people to help those with substance abuse issues. This would be a program that would help direct people to professionals. He asked if there was any interest. Parish council members did express an interest in being a part of this outreach program. Father will let Catholic Extension Services know of our interest.

The meeting was closed with a prayer.

Next meeting: June 17th at 6:15 pm