

Sacred Heart Volga – Pastoral Council Minutes
September 24, 2019
With Saint Patrick's – Colesburg Council in Attendance

Members Present: Beth Petsche, Bobbie Bergan, Nick Osweiler, Pete McGreal, Beth Aylsworth. Also in attendance: Sandy Klaus

Joint Meeting With St. Patrick's: Discussed schedule for upcoming Pastoral Council meetings. Every other month, all 5 councils will meet on the 4th Tuesday. Meetings will be at Edgewood, 6:30 pm.

*November 26, 2019, January 28, 2020, March 24, 2020, May 26, 2020

Individual councils will meet in the off months if needed.

The 2 Councils divided up for separate meetings.

Finance Committee: The heating fuel bill is on the budget plan, the automatic withdrawals were not taken out for 3 months, and therefore all 3 months were withdrawn at one time. Going forward the bill will be mailed for payment. List of causes for fellowship breakfast funds was discussed. Bobbie has sent an email to Linda and Mary Jo regarding the causes. Mary Jo will talk with Parish Life committee on October 10, 2019.

Starting in October, Father would like income/expenses in the bulletin.

Pastoral Associate Update: A more in depth report from Deb Schloss on the services she is providing for Sacred Heart would be very helpful. Discussed with Sandy Klaus, Sandy and Deb will attend our next council meeting on October 22.

Food Bank Collection: Will be funded with fellowship breakfast funds.

Town Hall meeting update:

Monthly insert in bulletin – For the November insert Leon suggests a list of what Father has accomplished in the past 3 years.

December insert, suggestions are needed. Maybe Christmas program information.

Parish Life – No updates

Faith Formation – Melissa Fettkether submitted a report. First class was held Sunday, September 8th. Five children are in the PK-1 class. Four children are in The 2-5 grade class. No children attended the 6th-8th class. Melissa followed up with two families who did not register or attend. Two children in the 6th-8th class will be attending going forward.

Adult formation will have their next meeting on October 20, at Sacred Heart.

Sacred Heart Annual Report: There will be separate books for each Parish. Date of publication is not available.

Community Picnic: Everyone agreed it was a great event. 215 people were in attendance for Mass. Beth A. will check with Linda on sending out thank you notes.

Buildings & Grounds: Nick Fettkether submitted a report.
Included were the recommendations from the insurance inspector as to what needs completed:

- Water relief valve drop pipes
- Restroom sinks tightened to wall
- Furnace area fire extinguisher replaced
- Paper labels removed from box upstairs
- 2 extinguishers in sacristy & eliminate plastic handle unit
- Replace wooden ladder in balcony with a fiberglass one

Sandy will send a report to the Archdiocese when the projects are completed.

Other projects to be completed:

- Ceiling fans in kitchen & kitchen back room, Gregerson Electric has been contacted.
- Scrape & paint the upper windows of the church. Theresa has contacted Reid Koehn and he will look at when time permits.

Completed projects:

- Dirt placed & grass seeded along sidewalk
- Asphalt placed & packed in the parking lot and garage entrance
- Grinding down the lip between sidewalks at the base of the stairs to prevent someone from falling.

We need people for snow removal and also someone to cancel church when there is bad weather.

Pastorate Website: Pictures have been added, also faith formation information, and contact information. Parish Life and Finance info may be added in the future.

Cemetery: Leon is currently acquiring a cemetery committee. The Volga cemetery needs to be platted.

Mary Weber was not able to be in attendance but wanted to add that she was glad to see younger couples helping at the Community Picnic. Also, Jennie Polkow Haight is doing well, thank you for the prayers.

Next Meeting: October 22 at Sacred Heart, 6:30pm

Closing Prayer: Beth Petsche

