

St. Ignatius Parish Council Meeting Minutes

August 26, 2021

Present: Father Meyer, Connie Nelson, Roger Millner, Sam Millner, Red Petersen, Jen Holte, Julie Petersen

Absent: Pat Athman, Jerry Rudolph

The Parish Council Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Opening prayer- Father Meyer

Meeting Minutes

June minutes approved unanimously via email.

New Business

Synod Small Groups:

Synod small groups will begin meeting the week of September 19th. Groups already forming include: Women's Monday Evening Bible Study, Men's Monday Evening Bible Study, Wed. Morning Bible Study, Choir/Liturgy, Youth/Young Adults, Faith and Fellowship, Faith Formation Teachers, and several other parishioner initiated and special interest groups.

The Parish Council members will not form a Synod small group together, rather the members will join the groups that are forming.

Each group will need 2 volunteers, one facilitator and one scribe. Each volunteer needs to complete a training- available online. The training is approximately 45 minutes in length. The Facilitator will lead the group by starting the video material and keeping discussions on task. The Scribe will submit feedback forms to the Archdiocese electronically following meetings.

Mardi Gras:

In the past years, Connie Nelson, Deb Goodale, and Karen Millner have provided the foundation for the Mardi Gras event. They will meet to determine if there is a need to have a sub committee for the planning portion of the event. In the past, there have not been any challenges finding volunteers to help the day of the event.

Tickets are being printed and sales will begin Labor Day Weekend.

Potential areas in need of fundraising are: The air conditioning unit, sound/technology system, and the library project. It was suggested, with the cost of the A/C unit, a fund-raising drive would be more appropriate. The A/C unit received a temporary fix this summer, but will need to be replaced. Ideally, the unit should be ordered this fall so it arrives in time to install in the spring. The sound system was the specific fundraising goal of the last Mardi Gras, however the estimate is outdated and needs to be evaluated and possibly supplemented.

Parish Council Members

Red Petersen- suggested the Parish Council Directory be updated, and the vacant position on the Parish Council be filled. Julie will create an updated document for the Parish Council Directory. and Father Meyer is in the process of filling the open PC position.

Julie Petersen- Graduation Recognition Mass is scheduled for May 22, 2022. Graduation Commencement for Annandale is May 27, 2022. The date will be printed on the Faith Formation calendar that is sent to families in Faith Formation. The date was selected with Mary Schumacher to avoid any scheduling conflicts with First Communion and Confirmation. Julie suggested "save the date" cards. Jen Holte volunteered to organize "save the date" cards and invitations. The PC agrees we will return to the tradition of serving brunch following Mass for the graduates and their families.

Pastors/Trustees Reports

Father- Monsignor Callaghan will be leaving September 8th. Father Magner will be moving to Annandale, and both priests will live in the rectory.

Dan Oliver will be working part time in the parish providing maintenance.

We will need to make a decision on the A/C unit.

The Synod small groups are designed to help Archbishop Hebda, but also our parish.

Looking forward to opportunities to connect within the parish after a challenging last year.

Roger- Suggested we talk to Chad about flushing the lines in the water fountains and consider a filter or circulating pump after hearing comments about the taste of the water.

Requests that Father Meyer appoint a new representative from the parish to take over his position in the Deanery. Father has someone in mind and a decision will be made.

Connie- The 40 Hours for Our Lord event will be March 25-27, 2022. Angie Pribyl has been in contact to set up a meeting for planning. A meeting will be scheduled in September. St. Ignatius representatives at the meeting will be Connie Nelson, Sam Millner, and Julie Petersen.

The new website is now available online, we will work on promoting it to the parish once it has been fine tuned. It has the capability of online donations and a menu bar providing Faith Formation and other ministries an organized area to provide information.

Father Meyer closed the meeting with a prayer.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Julie Petersen

St. Ignatius Parish Council Secretary

The next Parish Council Meeting will be October 28, 2021