

**St. Patrick Pastoral Council Meeting**  
**St. Patrick Religious Education Center June 17, 2020**  
**Time 7:00 PM**

Council Members Present: Matt Price, Monica Kehrli, Joyce Lux (Finance), Mary Jo Eike (Finance), Al Nachtman, Maureen McEvoy, Jane Quint

Members Absent: Christy Kunze (FFC), Joellyn Helmrich (Finance), Elizabeth Feldman (SC), David O'Brien, Lynne Ryan

Staff Present: Lori Cole, Father Gabriel Anderson

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Matt Price. The opening prayer was recited by all. Minutes of the February 20, 2020 meeting were reviewed. Motion by Maureen to approve and seconded by Mary Jo. Motion approved.

## **Parish Vision/Mission**

### **Faith Formation**

Due to the current COVID-19 pandemic, there are still a lot of unknowns related to religious education for fall. However, we will be offering a summer session that will be held August 3-14. This will consist of virtual learning and attending mass 2x per week.

### **Stewardship**

New Business:

Budget

Salaries for our current employees were reviewed. A motion was made by Monica to give all employees a 4% increase for the 2020-2021 fiscal year. This was seconded by Matt. Motion approved.

The proposed 2020-2021 budget was presented by Lori. Motion was made by Al to approve and seconded by Mary Jo. Motion approved.

Roof Project

The council is in the process of reviewing and discussing the 4 bids that they have received. We are estimating the cost for the project will be around \$200,000 based on the figures that we are seeing. There is extensive repair work that will need to be done. As a parish, we have secured about 70% of the funds necessary for this project thru our parishioners' generous donations and memorial contributions. A letter will be mailed to all members of our church and envelopes will be placed in the pews for the roof fund. We need to have the funds raised by August 1, 2020 to proceed with the project this fall, without borrowing to complete the project.

Old Business:

With the current pandemic, it has made it more challenging for parishioners to continue with their generous giving to the church. As a council, we would like to remind individuals that there are other options available to promote ongoing contribution, such as automatic withdrawal paid to St. Patrick's. To learn more about these options, individuals can contact Lori at the cluster office.

Items that the Council identified for the St. Patrick's wish list include:

- New roof on the church – Goal to complete Fall of 2020

- New lighting under the crucifix – Completed

- Replace wooden doors in the east entry of the church

- Repair / replace pews

- 2 wooden handrails going up the altar steps - Completed

- Entrance sign at the east entry of the church

- Replace basement windows in the hall – Completed 2 Windows/Add'l 2 windows need replacing

- Electronic lock for the south hall door - Completed

- Extend asphalt driveway at the cemetery to go along the north edge of the property

### **Sunday Mass Enhancement**

Sunday masses are now open! We will need to continue to follow the guidelines that have been established by the archdiocese to promote safety in our parish.

## Vocations

No new business to report

## Financial Report:

### Savings Accounts

General	Memorial	Building & Equipment	Holding	Endowment	St. Paul School of Rel	Total
\$49,474.16	\$67,030.43	\$4,574.90	\$3,968.09	\$32,866.25	\$272.85	\$158,186.68

Lori also presented a report reviewing the last 5 years of contributions that were made in our parish.

**Pastor Comments:** Father Gabriel shared that in light of everything going on in the world today, that it is important to remember the following: When you see struggles, know that the Lord counters with more peace and grace. Remember that we are all in a good place spiritually.

### Committee Reports:

**Gala Committee:** The Gala date for next year has already been set February 6, 2021.

**Faith Formation Commission:** meeting minutes from June 10, 2020 enclosed.

### Buildings and Grounds:

The cement work has been completed around the church. The council would again like to extend our gratitude to Doris McEvoy for her generous donation in memory of her brother, Dr. Dan Till.

New lights for the east entrance: Doris McEvoy has offered to donate 4 new lights to be set on the east side of the church. David O'Brien has secured quotes from Van Meter with an example of the light and demonstration of the illumination. These will be reviewed with Doris for her approval before purchasing.

Church East Side Handrails: The individuals who were going to donate this for free are no longer able to do so. We currently have received 1 quote for \$7500. Matt is going to reach out to another company and try to secure another bid. This is not an expense that the council had anticipated as we originally thought this would be donated. If any parishioner would be interested in supporting this part of the project, please contact Lori at the parish office.

Parish Hall: There are some drainage issues on the west side of the hall. There is also a leak that was noted. Matt and David are going to investigate further to determine the cause and what might be needed for repair.

**Social Circle:** Social Circle purchased a projector and screen that will be able to be rented for events in the parish hall. This has now been installed. The Council asks that a separate damage deposit be placed when utilizing these electronics.

**Cluster Council:** Across the Blessed Trinity Cluster we will be focusing on being more visionary. The archdiocese has 4 main goals:

1. Teach the Catholic Faith
2. Mass enhancement – focusing on people understanding and participating. Connecting better with the people.
3. Stewardship: Teach people to use God's gifts.
4. Personal Vocation: How has God called us?

**Cares and Concerns:** No Report

**Liturgy:** No meeting held

Next Meeting will be August 20, 2020.

Closing Prayer recited by all.

Adjournment: Consensus at 8:53 PM

Submitted by:

Maureen McEvoy, Secretary