

ST. BONIFACE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL
MINUTES – JANUARY 22, 2019

The meeting was opened at 7:00 p.m. with prayer by Father Joe.

Roll call was taken. Members Present: Father Joe, Tim Cable, Kathie Fahey, Mary Jeanne Feldkamp, Karen Gillespie, Ron Heidemann, Tom Lienhart, Bill Nastold, Peg Reed, Joe Ruter, Rick Salerno, Doug Weiss, Henry Wessler, Rosemary Welz. Jenni Lindgren was also present.

The minutes of the November 27 meeting were approved as published.

Father Joe and Council members reported on the following:

Ministries:

Health & Wellness

- Mary Jeanne Feldkamp spoke about the Walking with Jesus Program and circulated the booklet to Council members. The program involves daily journaling and activities toward health and wellness and spirituality. Mary Jeanne would like to start the program on Ash Wednesday. A notice will be placed in the bulletin. Anyone interested in participating should contact the Parish Office.
- Mary Jeanne also circulated a brochure about the Refresh Your Soul Program which will be held March 18 at the Cintas Center.
- Blood pressure screenings will be held on Sunday, January 27.

Liturgy:

- Father Joe mentioned that we are now in Ordinary Time. Father felt that all the Christmas Masses were beautiful and thanked Deacon Jerry Yetter for all his help during December. Father Pat McCloskey and Bishop Binzer will be assisting with Masses when Father Joe is on vacation.
- Confirmation will be February 9 at the 4:00 p.m. Mass. There are six students being confirmed.
- The annual Four Chaplains Mass will be in February 10 at noon. Deacon Jerry will be the homilist.
- Ash Wednesday is March 6.
- Several changes have been proposed for the distribution of Holy Communion at Mass and for taking Communion to the homebound, but these have not gone into effect as yet.
- The next project for the Bible Study group will be Book of Isaiah.

Financial:

- Jenni Lindgren distributed a financial statement of activities through December. The parish is currently showing a deficit, which was expected. Recent collections have also been down due to the inclement weather.
- During the parish audit which was held two weeks ago, it was discovered that St. Boniface School is not a consolidated school and is not independent of the parish. This means that any major decisions concerning the school must be approved by Parish Pastoral Council and any expenditures over \$5,000 must be approved by the Finance Committee and Parish Pastoral Council with Father Joe having the final approval over school decisions and expenditures. The auditors will meet with the Finance Committee on March 7 to discuss this.
- The delay on the new parking lot was a blessing in disguise. A large soft spot was discovered and has been filled in. The parking lot will be completed in Spring.

Pastoral:

- Rick Salerno reported that the Catholic Ministries Appeal kick-off will be the weekend of January 26-27. Parishioners will be receiving information in the mail. The parish goal is \$21,964. The parish will receive half of whatever is pledged over our goal. Last year this amount was used for the food pantry.

Miscellaneous:

- Tim Cable inquired about the sale of the parish cookbooks. Jenni replied that the sale had been a success. There are less than 20 copies of the cookbook still available.
- Rick Salerno mentioned that there is a group of retired men who would be available to help with maintenance projects. Jenni replied that the auditors recommended that our Grounds Committee be kept aware of needed projects and that we might be able to make use of this resource in the future.

New Business:

Nominating/Election Committee --- Chairperson Kathie Fahey asked that Council members give some thought to serving on the Parish Pastoral Council Nominating Committee and also be thinking of some potential candidates before the March meeting. There are four positions to be filled. All the incumbent members are eligible to run for reelection. The elections will be held in May.

The next meeting will be March 26. The meeting was closed at 7:50 p.m. with prayer by Father Joe.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemary Welz, Secretary