

ST. JOSEPH PASTORAL COUNCIL
JULY 21, 2022

Members in Attendance:

Ex. Off. Rev. Jeffrey Hennes
2024 Chuck Clark
2024 Kris Hansen
2024 Theron Nash
2024 Dave Osier
2023 Mike Daniels
2023 Tim Higgins
2023 John Lutz

Absent/Excused Members:

2023 Kris Strigel

- I. Meeting began at 6:00 p.m. with an opening prayer.
- II. Minutes were approved through email following the last meeting and posted.
- III. Featured Discussion - Mr. Conner Franz
 - A. Mr. Conner Franz is our Director of Religious Education and began his role on July 1. All in attendance introduced themselves, and Conner shared a bit about himself
- IV. Old Business
 - A. Vision Statement: A meeting was held recently and the Vision Statement was reaffirmed. Groups and Committees were asked to continue to work towards their goals.
 - B. Picnic: The wrap-up meeting will be held in August and the report will follow. No update on future picnics.
 - C. Diocesan Annual Appeal: There was a \$9,522.38 shortfall. Enough funds have been received to cover the Nicaragua House, with any overages being allotted for the Appeal.
 - D. Capital Campaign: Campaign continues to move forward. Buildings and Grounds has asked that our target projects be asphalt replacement, replace/redesign the Wyatt Street entrance, and an update/upgrade to the Air Conditioning System. Discussion continued with the possibility of including an electronic sign at the entrance.
 - E. Alpha: Alpha is a Christian based program, in which you encounter the life of Christ. It is set up around sharing with peers a meal, program and discussion. Fr. Ed Shuttleworth started the program at a prior assignment and has been running the program locally at St. Brons. Holy Spirit also runs the program. We have been welcomed to St. Bron's group, and will work together with them for the fall session which begins in September. The hope is that we would then offer the program at St. Joe's in the spring on a different night than our neighboring parishes.
 - F. Pastor Pictures: It was noted that a member was asked about continuing to display the pictures of our past pastors. All members were encouraged to think and pray on this matter and it will be discussed at a future meeting.
 - G. Appreciation Night: Scheduled for September 24, 2022 following the 4 p.m. Mass. This will be an evening to offer thanks for all who assist at the parish. Father will organize the evening.
- V. New Business
 - A. Elections of Officers: There are two elected positions for the Pastoral Council, they are Assistant to the President, and Secretary. Chuck has offered to take on the role of Assistant to the President and all were in agreement that Kristi would remain the appointed Secretary for the Council.
 - B. Appointment of Committee Representatives: With the change in members, the representatives were reviewed and reassigned. Please see notations at bottom.
 - C. Synod on Synodality Final Diocesan Report: The Diocese released their final report that was sent to Rome at the end of June. Copies of the report were shared. A note including how to access this report will be included in a future bulletin.
 - D. Welcoming others: A member noted that recently he arrived for weekday Mass and an individual was sitting in the rain on the front step reading a book. He wasn't sure if he should ask if she needed

assistance or invite her in. Father shared that welcoming them is great as we try to help folks and connect them to area resources.

VI. Committee Reports

- A. Education (Theron): Recently met, where they welcomed Conner and heard some of his ideas. They will be meeting again in August to review their Vision Statement goals.
- B. Parish Family Life (Tim): Father shared that recently they held their Carnation sale for Father's day, the extras were taken to nursing homes.
- C. Buildings & Grounds (John): Walter is happy to have new tools to assist him with tasks. There will be a work day in September to do some tree trimming work. There was discussion on how to possibly use the concrete pieces that were saved from the school building. The boiler replacement is expected to begin in August.
- D. Call to Justice Committee (Theron): Meal of Hope was just held with the Mrozinski's assisting the Finance Council. In June there were 12 served and 22 take-out meals. In July there were 25 served and 7 take-out meals. The Afghan family is doing well and they are adjusting. They are still looking for full-time employment.
- E. Sacred Worship Committee (Kris H.): The next meeting will be held in August.
- F. St. Anne's (Kris S.): Father shared that they are working with Holy Name to host the reception to welcome Conner. The rummage sale will be held the first week of August.
- G. Holy Name (Mike): Will be co-hosting the welcome for Conner. Men's prayer group will be starting back up in September, the Pig Roast will be held October 8. Discussing continues with St. Anne's regarding how they can work together. The group has also offered funds they have been collecting to be added to parish funds to purchase the Nicaragua House.

VII. Next Meeting: Thursday, September 22, 2022 at 6 p.m.

VIII. Meeting closed with prayer at 7:15 p.m..

Annual Agenda Items: Picnic Basket (March); Tithing/Vision Statement (May); Christmas Basket (November)