

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC) ON JANUARY 22, 2024 AT PARISH CENTER

In the absence of President Gayle Schneller, Vice President Dave McDonald called the meeting to order at 1840 with an opening prayer led by Joe Uhrich. In addition to those named, also present were Jim Brickey, Joan Vega, Amy Miklos, Finny Sechser and Gayle Schneller at 1850.

Joan shared the financial report - see attached. It was noted and appreciation shared with the donation from Joe for the mats at the main entrance to the church and at the west door.

Joan shared that Father Igwilo discourages visiting before and after Mass.

President Gayle arrived at 1850 and assumed the leadership role.

Unless otherwise stated, all motions were passed unanimously.

Gayle read notes from the October 19, 2023 meeting. A motion from Joe was followed with a second from Jim.

The agenda presented by Gayle was approved with a motion from Joan and a second from Jim. See attached.

Gayle handed out signed copies of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Parish Pastoral Council of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church (see attached). She recommended that each PPC member keep a copy with their information.

Gayle shared that Father wants each member of any parish group (examples are the PPC, finance committee, Women of St. John's, etc.) be a participant at Second and Fourth Friday Adoration time.

Gayle stated that she has been approached by several parishioners about creating a new parish directory. Mike Lewis offered to assist her in finding a professional to complete this

directory. Joe motioned that the parish do a directory using professional photographers and getting quotes to do the project in the summer of 2024. Jim seconded the motion. Finny offered to help Gayle and Mike finding the professionals.

Certified Lay Ministers (CLM) report from Mary Eide is attached. Clarification SSC stands for Sioux Spiritual Center.

Clarification will be sought from Mary Eide about the process of re-certification of CLM by Finny and when that needs to occur. There may be new parishioners who were certified in a former parish that need re-certification at St. John's.

Conversation about the Extraordinary Eucharist Ministers showed that Deacon Pat Coy trains that group.

Maintenance report from Jim - Jim shared that the large parking lot on the west side of the church is in need of re-sealing. He asked Joe and Dave to share their thoughts on the timing of that project. Joe shared that he will be submitting bids for re-sealing the lots at school and they work in conjunction with the City to get the most economical price. He will submit the bids the end of February. Re-sealing is recommended every five years. The bid will be for the large west parking lot and the parking spaces in front of the church. No striping of parking spaces will be included. Jim reported that the Parish Center needs to be re-stained as much flaking has been noted. Conversation came about using church volunteers or having the job done by paid employees. A motion from Joe with a second from Jim was that if enough volunteers are not found from the parish to do the re-staining this summer, then the re-staining will be outsourced with the Finance Committee hiring the appropriate people.

Young Adult report from Amy - Ash Wednesday is February 14. Amy reported that the Living Stations are tentatively planned for March 8. No new costumes are needed.

Knights of Columbus (KC's) report from Joe - Branon McNeeley is researching the best paint to use for painting the Ten Commandments monument. He shared that the KC's are trialing

german sausage at the Pancake Breakfasts. Joe stated that the KC's will be helping with the Ham Dinner on March 17 that the Women of St. John's (WSJ) coordinate. He said the KC's will not accept any of the proceeds as the WSJ declined any money from the KC's after their summer barbeque.

Women of St. John's report from Finny- see attached.

Liturgy committee - no report

Gayle shared a statement regarding the Eucharistic Convention - the expectation of those attending the Eucharistic Congress and mindset is that each attendee will be a eucharistic missionary upon their return from the Congress. Ann Dvorak will represent Custer and Frank from Hot Springs will be attending .

Next meeting April 11 at 1830.

Adjournment at 1943 with a closing prayer from Joan.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia "Finny" Sechser temporary scribe