

Finance Council Report

- Nothing new to report from the cemetery
- Improvements will be made to the gym, new blinds are ordered, painting some walls, decor above the serving area
- The new lighting fixtures have been placed in the church, although the wrong lightbulbs were sent, and will be replaced at no charge
- Rectory update, plastering and painting are done, and in the next week or so the trim, flooring, cabinets, plumbing, and electrical fixtures will be installed.
- There will be an open house for parishioners to view the rectory on the weekend of February 17 and 18th around Mass times
- Catholic financial life has donated \$1000 to be used toward the landscape of the rectory. This is also an area that we may use other parishioner labor to accomplish this
- Bank First donated some furniture they no longer needed, some of which could be used in the new rectory
- Lee presented five-year projected expenditures and estimated cost: This year (Estimated cost \$31000): **Rectory:** Concrete driveway and sidewalk \$10,000 Lawn and landscaping \$3000. **Church:** Install privacy fence around the AC units \$1500. Maintenance to the driveway and walkway ramps to upgrade for safety \$3000. **School:** improve plumbing in the girls bathroom (toilet fixtures are very pitted) \$1000. **Community 2000:** install lighted EXIT signs per building inspector \$1000. **Cemetery:** replacement of small deck tractor \$4000, upgrade small trailer \$500, purchase of trailer/pump for water wagon \$1000, soil and seed for turf enhancement, \$3000, trees for north, boundary \$1000
- Three year projected expenses (\$28000) include concrete curving for landscaping, driveway sealing, replacement of large lawn tractor, memory garden development
- Five year projected expenses (\$91000) include, **Church** roof replacement (commercial), the furnace air handler and fire brick in burning chamber for the church. **School** upgrade of boiler number two and other repairs. **Cemetery** equipment replacement of large zero turn mower
- Financial statements were discussed and at this time we are at a break even point. Parish support for December was up \$5000. There were two draws made for payment on the rectory, and the total project cost is very close to the original estimate.
- Council question how many people are using the app FORMED? Also talked about ways to generate income. Someone will look into the Catholic Foundation to see if there are any grants that are available to our parish that we could request. There was also discussion about sending out contribution statements in the middle of the year to remind people about donating.
- We also discussed the 150th Anniversary celebration and the budget for this. A class B raffle license has been purchased, which allows for bucket raffles, and 50-50 raffles on the same day.
- Bishop appeal has started as of this past weekend.
- Talked about getting information from the various committees and their needs to plan a budget for the next fiscal year.
- There are several people stepping down from the finance council, and we are looking for new members. The terms of some have ended and others have personal reasons.