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ST. PAUL PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, February 9, 2023

6:00pm in Vandenberg Hall

“Empowered by the Holy Spirit, We are a growing Catholic Community of Disciples, who Know, Love, Serve and Share, the Good News of Jesus.”

Chairman Paul Vanden Heuvel called the meeting to order at 6:00PM. Deacon Dave Hayden led the opening prayers.

MINUTES

No corrections or additions for the January 19, 2023, Pastoral Council meeting minutes. Bob Reinke made a motion to approve the minutes. Judy Hurlburt seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ATTENDANCE

Deacon Dave Hayden, Paul Vanden Heuvel, Cheri Ver Voort, Judy Hurlburt, Pat Schmidt, Kendra Romenesko, Bob Reinke, Jim Cops, Mike E. Murray

OPEN FORUM

Chairman Paul Vanden Heuvel opened the meeting for any additional topics from Council members or any visitors in attendance, of which there were none.

PARISH LENT THEME AND ACTIVITIES

The Parish Lenten Theme is “*Walk with Me*” and the Lenten activities will be continuation of Eucharist Adoration on Wednesdays from 4p-7p, Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 12PM and 5PM, Disciples on a Journey on Wednesdays at Noon with lunch included, Family Faith Night on Wednesday, March 1 from 5:30p-7:15p, Reconciliation Service on Thursday, March 23 at 6PM and an Anointing Service on Thursday, March 30 at 12PM.

Deacon Dave said that there were 8 people at Adoration at one time on Wednesday, 2/8/23.

RECAP/FEEDBACK ON DIOCESAN MEETING ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 29TH

The comments were that everyone was surprised at the number of parishioners (about 70) who attended the Listening Session. Father Don Evert asked questions about the good things happening at our Parish and a non-threatening needs analysis to take back to the Diocese office to help them decide how to proceed. Mike E. Murray feels that our Parish has great momentum.

Another comment was that Father Don Everts made the parishioners feel good when he said that St. Paul Church will not be merged or linked to another Parish at this time. Father Everts said that would have been decided and announced weeks before this meeting. The council members felt that no further communications were needed regarding the meeting.

FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

Deacon Dave invited us to come to the March 1st Family Event evening. Paul Vanden Heuvel asked about a Budget Review for the Faith Formation Program; but no budget is done since they were working on Lent. There was a discussion if the Faith Formation Program needed a Religious Education Board. Deacon Dave said he would talk to Maggie. However, it was stated that the Parish numbers would probably need to grow to have a Religious Education Board.

WORSHIP AND SPIRITUAL LIFE

Deacon Dave talked about all the events happening during Lent for the Parishioners to participate in.

MARY'S GIRLS

Pat Schmidt reported that Mary's Girls continue to say the Rosary on the 13th of each month at 2PM. We are planning on setting up the St. Joseph Altar for the weekend of March 18th and 19th with all the cookies and candy and breads for people to take after all the Masses that weekend. The February monthly meeting will be February 26th at 2PM.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Paul Vanden Heuvel reported that the next breakfast will be held on March 5th. The Knights also planned to have a Corporal Communion on Saturday, March 18th at the 4PM Mass. However, it was changed to Sunday, March 19th, at the 10:30AM Mass.

CHRISTIAN SERVICES

Judy Hurlburt reported that no meeting was held in February, but meeting in March.

TRUSTEES - Nothing to report.

CEMETERY - Nothing to report

OTHER

The donations from the Live Nativity were given away as follows: \$1,000.00 to Cots and \$500.00 to VIDA. Some of the donations were kept to help with expenses toward next year's event.

MONSTRANCE REPAIR

Deacon Dave explained that the original and only Monstrance that St. Paul Church has ever used is 100 years old and needed repair and the surface shined up. It would cost \$3,000.00 for the repairs and about \$1,500.00 has already been donated. When the work is completed, the Monstrance will be ready for the 100 year celebration for St. Paul Church.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Deacon Dave reported that five of the new Stations are completed. They are hoping to hang those stations in Church by Lent for the first Stations of the Cross.

100TH ANNIVERSARY PLANNING

Paul Vanden Heuvel stated that he wanted to get an amount in the proposed budget for next year for the Parish's 100th year anniversary celebration. He proposed a budget of \$25,000 for planning purposes which would be used for program sponsorship, advertising, awareness, activities, an updated Parish Directory, and \$8,000 for a Parish Gift. For the Parish Directory, Cheri Ver Voort has an agreement with Harmon Studios in De Pere to take the pictures the third week of August, 2023. They have scheduled 150 slots for pictures but could increase that number. The pictures need to be taken in August to have the printed directory ready to hand out in December. There will also be an electronic version of the Directory. For the last Picture Directory in 2015, 230 pictures were taken. Deacon Dave handed out an article from the Post Crescent of March, 1964, about an Open House Sunday at the new \$400,000 St. Paul Church in Combined Locks.

BISHOP'S APPEAL

Deacon Dave stated that the Parish has contributed about 20% of our goal for the Bishop's Appeal.

NEXT MEETING DATE -March 9, 2023 at 6PM

ADJOURN THE MEETING

Paul Vanden Heuvel led us in praying The Our Father and Hail Mary. The meeting was adjourned at 7:00PM.

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St. Paul Parish Council Meeting Agenda

Thursday, February 9, 2023 6:00 p.m. – Parish Rectory

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- I. Opening Prayer – Deacon Dave
- II. Review and Approval of Minutes from last meeting:
 - Last meeting January 19, 2023
- III. Record Attendance:
- IV. Open Forum – Open the floor for additional topics
- V. Nomination for Council Leadership
 - a. Other open vacancies –
- VI. 6:15-6:30 Open discussion and review of the following meeting.
 - a. Parish theme for the Lenten season – please incorporate
 - i. Feedback – Diocesan meeting recap discussion
 - ii. Communication suggestions
 - b. Faith Formation – Deacon Dave
 - i. Upcoming Theme for Lent
 - ii. RE Budget Review, March meeting
 - iii. Does our parish need a RE board?
 - c. Worship and Spiritual Life – Deacon Dave
 - d. Mary's Girls - Pat
 - e. Knights of Columbus - Paul
 - f. Christian Services - Judy
 - g. Trustees – Bob & Steve
 - h. Property & Finance Update to Parish Council as a FYI – Steve/Cheri
 - i. Cemetery - Bob
 - j. Other – Live Nativity, amount collected for Vida (amount undecided in Jan)
- VII. Current / Ongoing Business Updates:
 - a. Monstrance repair – kick-off for 100yr celebration
 - i. Scope of repair
 - b. Stations of the Cross Update

- i. Design, Timing, Next Steps? – Kendra/Deacon, follow-up to Deacon's discussions

VIII. New Business: 6:30-7:00PM

- a. Deacon Dave – Update
- b. Open for discussion
- c. Anniversary planning
 - i. Possible Dates
 - ii. Type of Event
 - iii. Proposed Budget for planning purposes - \$25,000
 - o Parish gift - \$8000
 - o Program sponsorship
 - o Advertising/Awareness
 - o Activities
 - iv. Update Parish Directory – Aug & Sept
 - v. Parish Gift -suggested items

IX. Council Notes –

- a. New and Emerging Topics – Open discussion
- b. FYI's - Things we should know as a FYI

X. 6:50 Recap the actions for our next meeting

XI. Next Meeting date – March 9, 2023

XII. 6:55 Closing Prayer - Paul

XIII. Adjourn