SAINT JOSEPH & CABRINI PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

December 12, 2018

The December meeting was called to order by President, Paul Fritz, at 7:10 PM. Members present are Paul Fritz, Kelsey Rubey, Nancy Anderson, Leonard Drish, Steve Pacha, Jeff Ledger, Arlene Fritz and Shirley VanDee.

An opening prayer is recited by Shirley. Minutes of the November 14, 2018 meeting were read by Paul Fritz. Steve Pacha moves to approve the minutes. Approved.

CHRISTIAN SERVICE/SOCIAL ACTION

Nancy Anderson reports beginning Advent material this past Sunday from *The Joy of the Gospel*. She also reports Shirley purchased a book for everyone in the parish called *Why I Am Catholic*.

FAMILY LIFE

Nancy continues to await sharing the kiosk reading material with Rosemary Pacha.

LITURGY

Shirley reports she hasn't heard anything about practice for Christmas music. She states planning to decorate for Christmas the Sunday prior to Christmas which is December 23, 2018.

MAINTENANCE

Shirley reports Mike Adrian called her tonight stating he and Ron Long are planning to tear into the third furnace at St. Joseph as it is still not working. Mike does recommend that the furnaces be turned on to start earlier, such as Saturday night, to try and "catch up." Mike also reported to Shirley that it was not a regulator at Mother Cabrini that was the problem with the furnace. Mike states the gas line under ground has gone bad and will need replaced in the spring.

Leonard Drish recommends that we move forward with fixing the outside of the bell tower since we were not approved for the grant applied for. Shirley reports there are two CDs that belong to the parish that could be used. Leonard had previously submitted an estimate to the parish council for approximately \$18,000 to fix the outside of the bell tower. Leonard recommends a decision be made soon if we are wanting him to get the work done in 2019. Jeff Ledger recommends we reapply for the River Boat Grant for financial assistance with the bell tower work. Shirley states approval will need to be given by the finance council prior to the parish council voting on it.

FINANCE

Shirley reports overall the expenses are down from what was budgeted for November. The overall net income for November is \$1,501.79. Shirley reports getting a check from the Annual Diocesan Appeal this week for \$700. This is the first payment and the payments are paid out every 6 months.

ALTAR AND ROSARY

Shirley reports there was no meeting this month. Altar and Rosary is planning the Epiphany potluck, which is January 6, 2019.

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Shirley reports Dennis Linnenkamp has declined being elected to the council at this time. Arlene Fritz has agreed to run and Jeff Ledger agrees to another term. Kelsey Rubey moves to approve the nominations of Arlene Fritz and Jeff Ledger. Leonard Drish seconded. Approved.

SNOW REMOVAL

Shirley questions if we need to put an add in the newspaper to try to find someone to remove snow on the driveway at St. Joseph. Nancy Anderson moves to put an add in the newspaper. Kelsey Rubey seconded. Approved.

Paul Fritz reports his nephew, Thomas, is interested in snow removal on the side-walks. Thomas states he will provide the tools necessary. He will also apply salt if it is supplied by the parish. The bid is for \$100/snow removal. Kelsey Rubey recommends a stipulation be made that the snow be removed on Thursday, Sunday, and any additional on-call dates. Shirley states a certificate of insurance has to be provided. Paul Fritz reports he has 5 bags of salt on hand at home that he plans to bring for use. Jeff Ledger moves to amend the add for both the driveway and the sidewalks to determine if there is additional interest. Kelsey Rubey seconded. Approved.

VISION 20/20

Shirley reports she will need to submit the names of 5-6 people from the parish to attend the next meeting portion of the Vision 20/20 at St. Ambrose University.

CHRISTMAS

Shirley states there is a Santa suit available and asks for suggestions of someone to act as Santa at Christmas Eve mass.

VISITING PRIESTS

Fr. Damian will be visiting Africa and is leaving Christmas Day. Fr. Helms is scheduled to be present for New Years Eve mass. Fr. Lou is scheduled for the first two Sunday's in January prior to Fr. Damian returning.

A closing prayer was recited by all. Steve Pacha moves to adjourn the meeting. The next meeting is Wednesday, January 9, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. at Mother Cabrini. Meeting adjourned at 8:29 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Kelsey Rubey