

## **Ss. Joseph and Cabrini Parish Council Minutes**

June 2, 2021

The June meeting was called to order by President Greg Ledger at 7:05pm at St. Joseph Hall. Members present were Greg Ledger, Paul Fritz, Larry Robison, Carol Robison, Kay Pohren, Nancy Anderson, Arlene Fritz, Marian Milender, and Father Lathrop. Also attending were Mike Adrian, Connie Fritz, Bonnie Adrian, Garry and Suanne Dickey, Mary Ann Drish, Rosemary Pacha, Bob Shelangoski, Ralph and Kathryn Dickinson.

An opening prayer was led by Marian Milender.

The May meeting was cancelled due to scheduling conflicts.

Minutes from the April 7, 2021 meeting were read by Arlene Fritz.

Corrections:

- 1) Liturgy. Prayer service for Hazel Chuck was on April 13.
- 2) Comments from Father Lathrop #6: Money spent over \$3000 requires 2 signatures (priest and lay director). Over \$5000 requires approval of corporate board.

Larry Robison moved to approve minutes as corrected. Paul Fritz seconded. Approved.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Christian Service/Social Action**

Nancy asks Council Members to let her know if any parishioner is in need of any assistance, visit or transportation due to illness.

Marian reports that The Lord's Cupboard is in need of donations to help local people.

Marian reports that "The Well Thrift Store" is open in Fairfield, located at 1700 South Main Street. They are open Wednesday through Friday 10am to 5pm and Saturday 10am to 4pm for shopping. Donations are accepted, but they will not accept broken items, paints & chemicals, building materials, pianos and organs, outdated media or TV's.

#### **Family Life**

Arlene passed around a get-well card for Nicholas Kaska. The card was signed and will be sent.

#### **Liturgy**

Marian reports that the church sanctuary has been decorated for ordinary time with help of Rosemary Pacha and Carol Robison.

"Word Among Us" booklets are now available for parishioners at no charge at the church entrance. It contains daily prayers/readings and reflections. Several St. Joseph prayer cards are also available.

## **Maintenance**

No report.

## **Finance**

Mike Adrian reviewed the April 2021 Profit and Loss Budget Performance with the council. Year to Date Income is slightly below budget. YTD Expenses are also lower than Budget.

## **Altar and Rosary**

Rosemary reports that an ecumenical prayer service will be held at Brighton City Park on Sunday June 20, at 10am on the last day of Whoopee Days.

## **Old Business**

- 1) Mailbox keys are at the Parish Office.
- 2) Father Lathrop contacted the Post Office to inform them of who is allowed to pick up church mail.
- 3) Council is checking the pros and cons of moving the Parish office to the basement of St. Joseph Church for possible sale of Richland rectory.
  - a. Much to do in preparation to sell
  - b. Propane tank relocation
  - c. Must be approved by Diocese.

## **New Business**

Mission Appeal 2021 will be 6/20/2021. The Diocese grouped Ss. Joseph and Cabrini with Keota, Sigourney and Mt. Pleasant. Donations will be sent to the Diocese and a single check will be issued to the Mission.

COVID-19 protocols moving to step 3 for reopening. Discussion followed.

- 1) Wear masks if not vaccinated.
- 2) Do what the parish is comfortable with doing.
- 3) Acknowledge the elderly.
- 4) When the Bishop lifts the dispensation, will probably go back to normal.

St. Joseph will celebrate 120 years anniversary in 2022. Discussion followed.

- 1) Welcome people back. Celebrate unity.
- 2) Bishop to attend. Mass and dinner.
- 3) Send invitations to people who have moved away.
- 4) Make plans.

Father Lathrop will celebrate 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his Ordination on June 9. Greg thanked Father for being our pastor. Congratulations Father!

**Comments from Father Lathrop**

- 1) He is available to help out.
- 2) Thanked Mike for his work on Finance Council and he is much appreciated.
- 3) He may want to do a Holy Hour once a month at the parishes.
- 4) One day, a Diocesan Audit will be done.

**Guest comments**

Is our money being sent away to the Diocese? Answer: No, our money stays in our local bank accounts.

Greg thanked Marian for all her work at the rectory. Kay and other council members offered assistance to her.

Greg stated that we must remain positive.

Nancy thanked Mike and Paul for their work.

Father Lathrop led closing prayer of “Our Father”.

Paul moved to adjourn. Seconded by Larry Robinson. Meeting adjourned at 8:14pm.

Next meeting will be at Mother Cabrini on July 7, 2021 at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Arlene Fritz/Paul Fritz