

Ss. Joseph and Cabrini Parish Council Minutes

December 1, 2021

The December meeting was called to order by Vice-President Paul Fritz at 6:06pm at Mother Cabrini Hall. Members present were: Paul Fritz, Carol Robison, Larry Robison, Kay Pohren, Arlene Fritz, and Marian Milender. Also present was Mike Adrian. Father Lathrop is ill. One guest, Nancy Anderson.

An opening prayer was led by Marian Milender and read aloud by all, "A Prayer for our Earth".

Mike Adrian read the November 3 minutes. Kay Pohren moved to approve, seconded by Carol Robison. Approved.

Committee Reports

Christian Service/Social Action

Nancy Anderson spoke as guest about Advent and making folders for people on the sick list. Nancy reports assistance from Winifred Fritz, Connie Fritz and Carol Robison sending Christmas Greetings from Ss. Joseph and Cabrini Parish.

Discussion followed about:

- 1) Lost feeling of community.
- 2) People need to know what's going on.
- 3) The more input, the more involved people are.
- 4) Paul Fritz reports that the approved minutes are uploaded to the parish website.

Family Life

Arlene Fritz reports sending Baby – Congratulations card to Mitchell Tympest Hora. She also made Beef Stew Casserole for them.

Liturgy

Marian Milender reports receiving complaints about the 6pm Mass time for Christmas Eve. It will be moved to 4:30pm, still at St Joseph. New Year's Eve Mass will be at 6pm at Mother Cabrini.

New 2022 Missalettes have been placed in the covers at St. Joseph. Mike Adrian brought the 2021 missalettes to Mother Cabrini.

Len and Marian Milender decorated the Altar at St. Joseph for Advent.

Maintenance

Paul Fritz reports most of the leaves have blown away this year. No cleanup necessary. Insulation is coming out on west side of exhaust fan in room north of kitchen at St. Joseph. Mike took all unsold rectory items to Fairfield to donate.

Finance

Mike Adrian reviewed Profit and Loss Budget Performance for October 2021.

Altar and Rosary

- 1) Met in November and re-elected the same officers.
- 2) Harvest Brunch had good attendance. \$35 donated.
- 3) Parish Epiphany Potluck Meal on Sunday January 9, 2022 after Mass at St. Joseph. Parishioners are asked to bring a covered dish to share.

Old Business

- 1) Bazaar Budget Campaign. Out of 199 letters sent, 40 families responded. We are currently at 87.13% of \$20,000 goal.
- 2) ADA. Our parish goal is \$15,945. So far, 31 donors have responded. We are currently at 66.23% of our \$15,945 goal.
- 3) Sale of Rectory furnishings yielded \$2029.55. A little more should be coming in soon.

New Business

- 1) Marian Milender reports that Steve Greiner distributed 500 pounds of potatoes.
- 2) We still need people to join parish council.
- 3) Brighton Lions Club and Pekin Ministerial are each seeking donations. Kay Pohren moved to donate \$150 to each. Larry Robison seconded. Approved.
- 4) Marian Milender reports 10 people signed up and have been matched with a partner for "Secret Prayer Partners". This is a very good turn out compared to significantly larger parishes.
- 5) Mike reports the sale of the rectory is supposed to close on December 15. Still working with the diocese to see who must sign the paperwork. Stakes for the property division have been placed. House has been cleaned out. Garage still needs emptied. The parish is paying to have the Water Stop valve fixed. This work is scheduled.
- 6) Father Damien is on vacation after the December 26 Mass. Father Lou Lenhardt has agreed to fill in for the month of January.

Marian Milender led a closing prayer.

Larry Robison moved to adjourn. Seconded by Carol Robison. Meeting adjourned at 7:03pm.

Next meeting will be at St. Joseph Hall on January 5, 2022 at 6:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Arlene Fritz/Paul Fritz