PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES: SEPTEMBER 18, 2023

Fr. Brad opened the meeting with a prayer.

Everyone was in attendance except Connie Poat, Holly Miller, Terry Sullivan and Chase Venable (alt.)

OLD BUSINESS

ENVISION CAMPAIGN UPDATE

FR. Brad said we are now at \$3 million dollars! The cry room is well under way. Painting is complete. The Sound System equipment is ordered. The bids for the HVAC have been received. The work on the Bell tower is coming soon. Fr. Brad said the pledges will align with the progress as bills present themselves.

NEW BUSINESS

Questions about Mass on line were raised. Fr. said he would talk to Craig about it. Fr. expressed concern, that while on-line mass is convenient when ill or traveling, he is concerned some might substitute on-line participation for physical presence. All agreed that funerals and weddings should be available on line.

MINISTRY REPORTS

Ministry reports were accepted as emailed with the following additions.

Hispanic: Fr. Basilio and Alma spoke about the Hispanic Lunch and its success! They, made \$5000!

Service: Elaine reminded us that Stewardship Sunday is October 1st.

Sacramental Prep: Lynn said Faith Formation enrollment is down. At St. Mary, Cletus Poat and Rosann Whiting/Leis will chair a committee to deal with administrative issues.

And finally, Octoberfest will be Oct. 20th.

Parish Life: The Parish Picnic will be Oct. 15th. Dennis is looking for volunteers.

Stewardship: Daniel said he is looking for volunteers for the beer garden.

MISCELLANEOUS

David said ACTS 42 is going well, building community!

Alma said that volunteers are needed for Holy Hour from 6-7.

Elaine said the deadline for the Giving Tree will be moved to Dec. 15th, sorting will be on Dec.14th., due to a personal conflict.

Fr. Basilio led the council in a closing Prayer.

David adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted, Julie Turok, Secretary