

# **Sacred Heart Parish Council Meeting Minutes**

**November 2, 2023, 7:00 p.m.**

Council members present were Father Tony, Jenny Hoover, Trish Weisert, Chad Weber, Michelle Keegan, Andrea McMahon, Kim Frush and Ria Clark. Also present were Mitch Harrison from the Finance Committee, Gary Murphy and Carol Aschenbrenner from Faith Formation and Lizzie Monat. Absent Peggy Mangrich from Rosary Society.

Jenny Hoover opened the meeting with a prayer led by Father Tony.

## **Key Goals: Plan Fall Clean-up, Prepare for Soup Supper and Set Fundraising Goals**

### **1. Finance Update:**

- Mitch Harrison reported a balance of \$11,344.81 in Checking Account, \$6,907.37 in the Capital Campaign Account, Rosary Society Balance of \$347.48 and St. Monica Balance of \$536.64. It was discussed to continue with the capital campaign envelopes to have funds for improvements. The curtains in Cizek hall are in bad shape and need to be replaced.

### **2. Circles Update:**

- Soup Supper – Meat and chicken are being purchased, but the Circles will be providing all other items.
- St. Gertrude Circle members make the chili in the morning and the chicken noodle at noon. St. Gertrude Circle purchased 2 new roasters.
- St. Ann Circle is in charge of setting up tables and cutting pies.
- Chicken will start being cooked at 7:00 on Sunday, deboning at 12:00.
- Kim Frush and Jenny Hoover are putting together 10 – 12 baskets for Raffle items

### **3. Committee Reports**

- **Faith Formation** – Sarah Kopriva is CRE Supervisor. It was reported they may be getting a few classes again at St. Mary. Confirmation went well.
- **Social Justice** – Chad reported Food Bank continues to need items and he delivers them to Heartland Church when there are items in the back of church.
- **Community Life** – Coffee and rolls will be served after 8:00 Mass, starting in January. Trish will get a schedule for who is in charge and put it in the bulletin.
- **Stewardship** – another Newsletter was sent out to members of our church with a list of activities, along with our Parish Goals.
- **Liturgy** – Sheri has gotten the kids more familiar with the altar, along with having them assigned to do readings, ushering and serving at Mass.

**4. Old Business**

- Fall Clean-up is scheduled for November 4 starting at 8:00 a.m.
- Our new CRE for the Tri-parishes is Sarah Kopriva.

**5. Old Business**

- a. Election Night Soup Supper Raffle and Silent Auction. Trish Weisert reported her mother-in-law, Carol Weisert, made a quilt to be raffled off. There will also be 10 – 12 baskets with various items Kim Frush has received from various businesses in La Porte City to be raffled. The cost for the tickets will be 3 for \$5, or 7 for \$10.
- b. The Newsletter which was recently set out was very well received, and it is hoped it will bring more people back to Mass.
- c. The Saturday evening Mass was discussed. We would like to get the Saturday evening Mass back to 5:00 this year, which will be discussed more at a later date.
- d. Rick Foss has agreed to continue to do the snow removal for another year. We need to be sure to mention our thanks to him for doing so again.
- e. Fundraising Strategies and Implementation: We want to encourage people to continue to donate to the capital campaign.

**6. Next Meeting** - Our next meeting will be Thursday February 8, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was closed with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Ria Clark