Parish Pastoral Council Minutes

April 22, 2021

Present: Father Barnes, Donny Lill, Karen Dehmer, Ryan Graham, Dick Frie, Renee Berens, Brian Lutes, Dean Flicker, Melissa Anderson, Lanette Aitchison, Carol Goodwin.

Trustees Present: Jan Zaruba, Les Wilmot

Absent: Geoff Johnson, Keri Cruser

Prayer led by Father Barnes.

Donny called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

1. Parish Council nominations – Geoff, Lanette, Carol and Keri’s terms are ending. All are eligible for a second term. Lanette and Carol have chosen to not stay on for another term. Geoff and Keri have been contacted about returning and waiting for a response from them. Slips and pencils will be in the pews this weekend for nominations. If not, enough names are submitted, we will solicit nominations again the weekend of May 8/9. After this process, nominees will be contacted and invited to a meeting to determine who will serve for the next 3 years.
2. Officers for Pastoral Council – Father thinks 1 year, especially for the Chair, is too short. After the person is trained, he would like them to stay on for 2 years as Chair. After some discussion, it was decided to look at it again next year.

Dick Frie made a motion to extend the officers terms to 2 years. Renee seconded. Unanimous vote.

1. The letter to the parish was then brought up. Father said it is being investigated by the Sheriff’s office and is on-going. The Archdiocese is aware. This will give us an opportunity to look at all of our processes and make changes where needed. Continue to pray for our Parish.
2. Question was asked if more people can now come to church? Father said yes, they can, but we need to keep our distance as we have.
3. Father announced that Father Koop will be teaching full time and only be with us until July for the Spanish Masses. Father Barnes will need more education in Spanish and may need to go to Mexico for a few weeks to get that training.

Closing prayer led by Donny.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Schillewaert