

St. Sebastian Parish Council Meeting Minutes – May 24, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM and opened with a prayer.

Acknowledgement of the Agenda and the November meeting minutes was then given and approved.

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee:

- We are \$565 away from meeting our Bishops Appeal goal this year. A special collection is planned for in June if we do not make our goal before that.
- The cost of bulletins has increased \$2 per one hundred.
- We currently have about 99 families contributing to support the church.
- Cathedral assessment for our parish this year is \$6,946.00. The Diocesan School Assessment is \$1,092.00.

Cemetery:

- Despite the rainy weather the spring cleanup went well.
- The committee is considering raising the cost of a cemetery lot to bring our cost in line with other places.
- There are about 25 grave sites still available in the old section. We are looking at opening the new addition.

Building and Grounds:

- Otis elevator service will be conducting a "Pressure-relief valve, no load test" soon. The cost will be \$884.
- The church holding tank alarm continues to periodically go off despite the tank not being full.

Religious Education:

- First Holy Communion, May Crowning, and Graduation Mass went well.
- Confirmation for our students will be on October 23 at the cathedral in Green Bay. We have 6-7 students being confirmed this year.
- The confirmation students and teachers will be visiting the shrine in August. Date TBD.

Christian Women:

- Promotion of the collecting stuffed animals is going very well.

Worship:

- We are still in need of volunteers to help with the singing in church.
- We will testing the use of an I-pad connected to our blue-tooth system for playing music.

Other Business:

- The upcoming **one by One** diocesan campaign was discussed briefly. Our parish goal is \$115,000.00. The campaign will begin in July. The three areas of need for our parish are: Replacement of the church carpeting, Replacements of the pew seat cushions, and upgrades on our parish grounds and cemetery. Letters will soon be sent to all parishioners explaining more.
- The Blessed Mother & St. Joseph statues in our church have been sent out for repainting. The is through a gift from Sherry De Ruyter as a memorial for her husband Rick. Refurbishment should take 6-8 weeks.

- We will be in need of finding someone to plow snow next winter. Prospects will be discussed at the August meeting.
- Aon Insurance inspected our buildings recently. Only a few items are in need of attention.
- Pat Posbrig has volunteered to take over the annual water test for the parish.

The next St. Sebastian Parish Council meeting will be held on Tuesday August 16, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

Committees will meet at 6:00 p.m.