

**Church of St. Paul – Comfrey
Special Administrative Council Meeting
Sunday, December 15, 2019 at 11:30 a.m.**

Members present: Jim Rathman, Judy Augustin, Linda Kelly, Connie Kelly, Marianne Schotzko, Dale McMullen, Darrell Platz, Denice Evers, Fr. Andy Michels (at 11:50 a.m.), Nellie Richter – Secretary

Meeting started at approximately 11:35 a.m.

Schotzko read thru the letter that Msgr. Lozinski wrote for sending to the parishioners.

Consensus was that the letter is 'too deep' and it won't accomplish what the council is hoping to. Eischen mentioned a mailing that a Lutheran Church from Sanborn recently sent out, and it was inviting, welcoming and done well with full color pictures, etc. Can we do something similar?

Eischen stated that if we are going to send a letter, it needs to address the problem. Want to draw in the casual Catholics as well as anyone looking for a church.

Rathman feels that JM draws a good crowd due to their mass time on Saturday night at 8:00 p.m. With ours at 10:30 a.m., a person gets home for dinner and not able to do much after. When we had 9:00 or 9:30 a.m. mass, our attendance numbers were better.

Fr. Andy said we need a letter to inspire people to come to our mass – positives are our choir, activities within our AFC, handicap accessibility and Sausage Dinner, to name a few. What does the Council like about our Church and will it inspire others to attend?

Consensus was to do more of a flyer that is more inviting, with pictures, etc.

Decided that it is too late to send out for Christmas, but possibly look at sending something out during Lent, before Easter. Denice has a copy of the Sanborn Church mailer. Can maybe check with BIC in Sleepy Eye to print ours in full color when we have something ready.

Meeting adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nellie Richter - Secretary