

Minutes, St. Dominic Pastoral Council
August 24, 2015

Present: Fr. Phil Reifenberg, Mary Karls, Don Holmes, Leo Schneider, Steve Scharrer, Peter Bergman, Roy Sellars, Bill Linn, Jeanne Bitkers, Eileen Diener, Maureen Stoelb

Unable To Attend: Ken Sedmak, Steve Straus, Jane Watry, Jane Kautzer

1. The opening prayer was led by Eileen Diener.
2. There was no parishioner input at this meeting.
3. In his Pastor's report, Fr. Phil explained parts of the agreement reached between the Archdiocese of Milwaukee and the lawyers for the Sexual Abuse Arbitration Settlement. As part of this settlement, all Archdiocesan parishes will contribute \$2500 toward a fund which will pay for therapy for the victims of the sexual abuse by clergy. Our Finance Council has agreed to this stipulation and has proposed that we will pay an additional \$2500 to cover the costs for a parish which may not have the funds to do so. At this time, there is no set date as to when we would need to forward these funds to the Archdiocese.
4. Peter Bergman gave a brief Finance report; the Finance Council has decided to purchase the new computer server through a vendor which contracts with the Archdiocese for computer services. They will need to decide at a later date who will service the equipment after its purchase.
Members of Finance Council and the Stewardship Committee will attend a seminar on "Increasing Offertory Giving", in Beaver Dam, on Thursday, October 1.
5. Jeanne Bitkers explained the proposed organization plan for our three, north side cluster parishes, to be presented to the Archdiocese in September. Jeanne made a motion to approve the plan, seconded by Eileen Diener. The motion passed on a voice vote.
6. Roy Sellars agreed to be prayer leader for the June, 2016 Council meeting.
7. Mary Karls mentioned that our Council members would assist at the December 5 Emmaus Meal at the Salvation Army building; volunteers may sign up for this at our October meeting.
8. Plans are in place to present the Papal Mass on September 27, in our Church, on the video screens. All interested people in the area will be invited to watch this event with our Parish members. It has been determined that this showing will not interfere with the 6:00 PM Teen Mass that evening.
9. In other business, Fr. Phil stated that Kathy Pluskat is resigning from the Evangelization Team; another St. Dominic parishioner is needed to take her place. Also, it has been decided to publish the names of the Worship Committee members in the bulletin.

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10. At 7:00 PM, Council members retired to the Church to attend the Town Hall Meeting.

Our next meeting will be on Monday September 28, at 6:30 PM.
The prayer leader at our September meeting will be Mary Karls
Respectfully submitted: Leo Schneider.