

ST. BONIFACE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 15, 2022

The St. Boniface Parish Pastoral Council meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. with Journey of Faith Prayer. Five council members answered roll call along with Fr. Bernard Starman, President Kelly Murphy, Vice President Tracy Ludwig, Secretary Kim Estes, Jeff Dvorak and Peggy Dvorak. Also present was Director of Ministries Jan Kunz and Christian Mothers President Mary Ellen Scholz.

Minutes of the January 18, 2022, meeting were approved as written with motion by Tracy and 2nd by Kim.

ONGOING DISCUSSION:

- 1) Insurance Inspection Response to Recommendations: Prior scheduled gathering for Feb. 20 had been postponed. Is now rescheduled for April 19 at 7:00 p.m. Areas of priority are Furnace Room and Water Heater areas. Bulbs for Exit signs need obtained prior to meeting so can be installed then.
- 2) Organ: The organ is irreparable and replacement cost is between \$35 and \$45,000. Insurance companies are in negotiations. Mary Ellen Scholz, church organist, suggested obtaining a keyboard with an ability to record liturgy parts and/or hymns due to concern if there will be anyone who will be able to play the organ when current organists retire. Fr. Starman will contact Keyboard Castle regarding same.
- 3) Sound System: All items needed should be in within 60 days. We have pre-paid \$20,000 and hadn't heard back so Fr. Starman contacted them with above reply. The old system will be scrapped.
- 4) Folding Chairs: Jeff, Grand Knight of KC's, informed group that some of the brown tables in basement were the KC's. There are 2 tables left that are spoken for with 3-4 others available. The metal chairs need dispensed with and there is some interest in. (Some are the KC's but Jeff stated they could be sold.) Discussion resulted in motion made by Jeff Dvorak to sell the metal chairs at \$10 each with 2nd by Kelly Murphy. Ayes have it. Motion carried.
- 5) Archbishop Visit to St. Boniface is scheduled for Saturday, March 26 as a Pastoral Visit and being a Joint meeting with Atkinson Parish Council at 4:15 p.m. (Fr. may be late due to a wedding). St. Boniface Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Lucas at 6:00 p.m. with potluck meal to follow in Stuart. Sunday morning, there will be no 8:30 a.m. Mass in Stuart. Archbishop will celebrate Mass at St. Joseph's, Atkinson on Sunday, March 27 at 10:30 a.m. with meal to follow in Atkinson. Tracy Ludwig offered CCD kids assisting with pre-visit cleaning.
- 6) St. Boniface School Rent: Brian and Kelly Murphy had conference call in last 2 weeks with Mr. Hanzlik of Stuart Public School with the past rental agreement needing tweaked. The increased rate was to be effective March 1; however, Stuart Public School had paid March already so they were billed the balance. Cleaning will be same as was. Snow removal does need addressed in Rental Agreement, but will be same as was. Current cleaning person cleans preschool room, bathrooms and halls daily with CCD rooms weekly.
- 7) Live Lent Fully: Five St. Boniface groups are meeting with 7-8 people per group. The student group bowed out due to schedule conflicts.

Parish Council went into Executive Session at 7:48 p.m. to discuss Pastoral Planning. Came out of Executive Session at 8:10 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 8:10 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Our Sunday Visitor (OSV) Offertory commitment cards returned netted a positive result with increased pledges, 1 doubled commitment in the 0-1500 category and 3 first-time donors. It's also time to conduct Mass Attendance counts.
2. Christian Mother President Mary Ellen Scholz inquired if they could install a Coffee Bar in church basement for coffee pots, etc for easier access during church meal functions. They would be funding the project. Kelly Murphy, Parish Council President, suggested they write/draw up the plan to be reviewed.
3. Fr. Starman noted that new chasubles (priest liturgical vestments) are needed for the liturgical seasons in white, green, purple, red and rose. House of Hansen has some in the \$140 range. He also said a new ciborium (cup receptacle for consecrated hosts) would be welcome.

JourneyofFaith.org is a website parishioners are welcome to visit.

Motion to adjourn was made by Kelly M with second by Tracy. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m. Meeting closed with Glory Be. Fr. Starman reminded everyone that Ukraine collection would be next weekend.

Next regular meeting will be held May 17, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. with a singular-purpose gathering on April 19, 2021, 7:00 p.m. to physically conduct completion of Insurance Inspection Recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Estes,
Secretary

With the parish realignment, Fr. Starman will be the contact person on everything parish-matter related. His e-mail address is bgstarman@archomaha.org. Minutes of meetings will be emailed to him for approval and then e-mailed to members.