

PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES
September 12, 2017

ST. JOSEPH PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the faithful of St. Joseph Parish, willingly accept our baptismal call to gather and Worship as a Community, to proclaim the Word of God, and to serve in the image of Jesus Christ.

Meeting was called to order at St. Joseph at 7:00PM by Tom Kohl, who led the opening prayer.

Attendance:

- Present: Father Kelley, Deacon Feaster, Dave Burns, Erin Marchlik, Marty Brett, Mary Kirk, Tom Kane, Tom Kohl, Tonie Vandenberg, Gary Dawson, Ed Holley.
- Excused: Father Brady, Amy Brenner, John Sanders, Lisa Porter, Stephanie Szczerba

June Minutes: Motion made to accept minutes and seconded

Introductions: Brief introductions of all Pastoral Counsel Members

Correspondence: No correspondences received

Reports – Standing Committees

- **Finance Council – Father Kelly**
 - The financials for the first two fiscal months were reviewed at the Financial Council meeting Sep 11, 2017
 - The actual numbers are close to what was budgeted
 - The parish budget has been submitted to the Diocese
 - The expected income from the 2017 Carnival is \$80,000
 - The parish has received the second payment from the estate of a deceased member of the parish. It is being considered to use this gift of \$85,000 towards the mortgage
 - A summary of how the debt has been paid down over the last several years was provided
 - Father will confirm how offertories submitted electronically are reported in the weekly bulletin
- **Liturgy – Father Kelly**
 - The first meeting since the summer break was held with no major decisions being made
 - Celebration of the 10th anniversary of St. Joseph's church will be held the weekend of November 18th/19th at all masses
- **Christian Formation – Mary Kirk**
 - This committee is looking for a chair person
 - Meetings are held once a month, and currently flexible regarding when they would occur
 - Religious Education taught 400 students grades 1-8 over the summer, with 300 registered for the fall
 - Confirmation - 90 students scheduled to be Confirmed this year, with 90 additional students that will begin their preparation for 2018
 - Reconciliation – 85 students will be preparing for their first penance
 - RCIA – 5 adults will be preparing this year
- **Parish & Family Life – Erin Marchlik**
 - The Facebook password has been obtained for the parish's page
 - The intent is to use Facebook to jump start interest within the parish for this committee
 - Pancake breakfast is scheduled for September 24th at St. Rose
- **Social Concerns – Tonie Vandenberg**
 - Over 100 backpacks were distributed to children starting school
 - Furniture was provided to families in need
 - The weekly bread run continues to support 70 families

- **Building and Maintenance – Father Kelly**
 - The handicap walkway and stairs have been completed at St. Rose
 - The plans and permits are being worked on to create a musician’s office within St. Joseph’s church
 - The parking lot at St. Joseph’s was repaired and resurfaced over the summer

Old business

- Ed Holley was elected Executive Officer via voice vote
- Tom Kane was elected Secretary via voice vote
- Pastoral Council committee representation for the year

Liturgy	Stephanie Sczerba and Deacon Feaster
Christian Formation	Dave Burns and Marty Brett
Parish & Family Life	Erin Marchlik and Tom Kane
Social Concerns	Tonie Vandenberg and Gary Dawson
Building and Maintenance	Ed Holley

New business

- None

Follow Ups:

- Father Kelly to confirm how offertories submitted electronically are reported in the weekly bulletin
- Tonie Vandenberg will create the opening/closing prayer schedule for the year

Closing prayer led by Tom Kohl

Meeting was adjourned at 8:05PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Kane, Secretary, Pastoral Council