

St. Peter's Finance Council—August 16, 2018

Present: Bob Bollman, Maureen Johnson, Andy Johnson, Jerry Kelly, Damien Matt, Kathy Turner, Fr. Don

Opening Prayer

Election of officers: Bob Bollman, Chair, Jerry Kelly, Vice Chair

Minutes from the last meeting were read and approved.

Financial statements: Kathy presented the monthly income and expenses statements. Maureen discussed the new look of reports and presented the council with a report on the refunds coming to each of the Cluster Parishes. The refund is because of the times we had no Mass at Clermont and Fayette and because of the overpayment to the Cluster by all four parishes. The refund of \$4919.06 will come to St. Peter's in September.

Old School Building: Some of the council members had met with the Clermont Historical Preservation Commission. They definitely want the building, as they see it holding great historical significance to Clermont. However, they will not be able to find any money to renovate the building until next year. The council decided to write them a letter explaining that we have been discussing this building for a number of years and are anxious to make a decision about it. We will ask the Commission to make a decision about taking ownership by January 1, 2019. We will then have to have any action we take on the building approved by the Archdiocese of Dubuque.

Parish Picnic: We want to thank Damien Matt for his work on organizing the Mass and picnic. We also want to thank those who donated money, food or helped in any way. We have heard very positive comments from those who attended. We would like to expand on what we have started, maybe adding games or other entertainment. If anyone has any ideas, please let the council know. We are hoping to make this an annual event, being held on the third weekend of July each year.

Cluster Meetings: The various Cluster meeting minutes are listed on the St. Joseph the Worker website. Some highlights from those meetings:

—Mass times will change the first of September. **St. Peter's Mass will be on Sundays at 8:00 a.m.**

—Confirmation will be held at St. Peter's on September 9 at 2:00 p.m.

—Holy Day Masses will be held at St. Francis.

—Andy Johnson was appointed to the Social Justice Committee by the council. He reported that they are just getting this committee off the ground. Right now the Cluster Social Committee is asking for: Kleenex, Disinfectant Wipes, Ziploc Bags and Hand Sanitizer. **We would like to challenge each family in the Parish to donate one of the four items listed above to help children in the schools.** If anyone has any ideas as to those in need in our parish, Andy would like to know.

Cluster Mission: Most have heard good comments about the Mission. We agreed the time of each presentation was adequate. We also thought having it centrally located at St. Francis was a good idea. This is another area where we would appreciate any input from our parishioners. If you know of someone who would make a good presenter for our next Cluster Mission, please let us know.

Parish Life: Thanks to the Knights of Columbus for donating \$500 and dinnerware to the Parish Picnic. The Rosary Society is preparing for Confirmation at St. Peter's and refreshments after the HIV presentation on August 25. We would also encourage anyone who has any ideas on how to improve Parish Life, please let us know.

Fr. Don reported that we will be having Advent Reconciliation on December 9 at Holy Name at 1:00 p.m. There will be other area opportunities for reconciliation during Advent listed in the bulletin. He also told us he is hoping to visit his home country possibly in November.

Closing Prayer