

St. Basil's Parish Council

Meeting Minutes from September 20, 2018

Summary

- ◆ The theme of the Parish this year is "Children of God" to encourage the involvement of families within the parish, as well as to remind everyone that we are all children of God.
- ◆ The original crucifix will be reinstalled above the alter in the near future. Additional projects, such as new trees by the parking lot and planting around the base of the bell tower are being considered.
- ◆ Pastoral Council is planning an All Saints Family Masquerade Party on November 3rd. Pastoral Council will provide hot dogs, as well as treats for the children. The community is asked to bring salad and desserts.

Updates regarding the Church building

- ◆ The original crucifix will be ready to be re-installed above the alter in the near future
- ◆ Father will put a note in the Bulletin to explain the significance of the original cross and the importance of its reinstallation
- ◆ There will be future thought given to the colours of the pillars at the back of the church, after the installation of the new cross
- ◆ Consideration will be given to additional uses to the baptismal room, as an area for religious reflection and sacred space
- ◆ A search will be undertaken to find a new chair for the Pastor that matches the décor of the rest of the church
- ◆ Looking into how to block around the edges of the Bell Tower to keep children from playing underneath. Consideration is being given to a garden or assortment of shrubbery

The Green Church

- ◆ A large green bin has been ordered for use at large functions
- ◆ There will be signs and supplies posted in the kitchen and located at both sinks to encourage use
- ◆ The Green Church members will be meeting with Parish groups to offer them training in how to use the equipment
- ◆ There will be a Mass in Celebration of Creation on September 30th.
 - ◇ 9:00 mass will be a family mass day with St. Daniel's Choir
 - ◇ Tulips will be available for people who would like to plant them to celebrate this season of creation
- ◆ The church is also exploring the option for planting memorial trees

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Imagine St. Basils

- ◆ This year's theme is "Children of God" to encourage the involvement of families within the parish, as well as to remind everyone that we are all children of God.
- ◆ The Chairs of the Ministries are lined up to explain to the children about what is happening at mass and how the community supports the priest.
 - ◇ Children's Liturgy will run 2 Sundays a month, plus the family mass and then the speakers (so each week should have an activity for the children)
 - ◇ A Christmas Pageant is also planned
- ◆ Pastoral Council is exploring the possibility to have movie nights at church
- ◆ Pastoral Council is also planning an All Saints Family Masquerade Party on November 3rd. Pastoral Council will provide hot dogs, as well as treats for the children. The community is asked to bring salad and desserts.
 - ◇ Children's Liturgy will provide activities for the children
- ◆ Pastoral Council is also working on the Christmas Dinner on December 15th or 16th (we are checking with the Knights of Columbus to confirm the date)

Budgets

- ◆ Budgets need to be collected from the various ministries
- ◆ Consideration is being given for transferring the responsibility for collecting budgets to Finance Council

Lift

- ◆ The lift is broken, but parts have been ordered
- ◆ Consideration is being given to a new lift, as it is difficult and expensive to get new parts for the current lift
- ◆ The lift should be ready in time for the November 11th Remembrance Day Mass. However, if this is not the case, Veterans will be seated upstairs and served by Parish Members