

St. Peter Parish Council Meeting

Thursday, February 21 at 6:30 P.M.

Members present: Fr. K, Mike Jany, Joe Morris, Jackie Kiser, Bob Klitzman, & Bill Girton. Also present was Rachel Morris

Members absent: Tommy Murray, Linda Webb & Andy Pesaresi

Meeting opened with a special prayer for Parish Councils led by Bob Klitzman at 6:30 P.M.

1. Fr. K opened the meeting with comments about the Deanery Meeting that was held earlier in the afternoon. He thanked our Parish for being the highest in the Diocese for Fruitful Harvest pledges. He also thanked Rachel for preparing and serving all the food for the Meeting. The Council was also informed that there will be an all day Deanery Meeting that he and Rachel must attend on March 21, 2019 regarding the Partners Edge Program in the Diocese.
2. Bob Klitzman shared some information regarding Podcasts that are held with Bishop Barron. He speaks a lot about evangelization. Statistics were shared with the Council. One statistic that was shared was for every 1 Catholic that is brought into the Church, 6 are fallen away Catholics. This is a very sad fact.
3. The minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed and accepted as written.
4. The Council was asked about any comments from parishioners. Bob and Fr. K shared the only comment made to them was about the scaffolding. It was relayed to parishioners about why the scaffolding has been in the Church.

A. Committee Reports:

Building & Maintenance:

1. Joe Morris gave a report to the Council about the Buildings. (Please see attached). Joe also discussed with the Council about the only roof bid that has been received thus far. The bid is quite substantial, anywhere between a half million to a million depending on which roofing is chosen. The Council asked how long we have with the current roof. Joe could not

give an exact timeline, it is thought that we have probably have 8-10 years of fundraising to do before we will have to replace. The Religious Education Building chimney was also discussed. The best option may be to tear down all the plaster in the kitchen to get to the exact problem of leaking instead of replacing the furnace with a high efficiency furnace and removing the chimney all together. Bill will check into the possibility of a Company that can use a smoke bomb detection system in the chimney to locate the exact problem of the leak. It is thought that the leak is in the Chimney itself instead of the roof because the attic floor is completely dry and if the roof was leaking it should be wet.

Cemetery:

1. No report given as Tommy & Andy were both absent.

Social/Ecumenism:

1. Jackie & Mike submitted a report on possible ideas for social & ecumenism. (Please see attached). Discussion was held on inviting the Parish to a viewing of The Passion of the Christ on Sunday, April 7th. The movie, discussion and snacks will be provided to those who are interested. Sign ups will be announced in the bulletin. Interested parties may reach out to Mike & Jackie, or sign up at the entrances to the Church. Fr. K explained to the Council as a reminder that anytime the Parish hosts an event off campus, insurance must be obtained from Catholic Mutual. If there is any gambling, there must be a permit obtained from the Indiana Gaming Commission and if alcohol is served, a liquor license must be obtained from the State as well. If it is a parish function and on parish property with just our members invited, no extra insurance needs to be gotten. These are rules of the Diocese, not his personal rules, and they must be followed so that our Parish does not lose its tax exempt status or Not for Profit organization status. These rules are in place to protect our Parish.

Education:

1. Fr. K reported that the National Day of Prayer will be on May 2nd. The Pulaski County Ministerial Organization is in the process of planning the event. More details will be made available when complete. Fr. K informed that Council that the RE classes have missed 3 sessions due to weather. He has made contact with the teachers to encourage them to cram as much class time as possible to the students were the remaining classes for the year. We also have 1 candidate in RCIA who will be traveling to Lafayette on March 17th for ongoing conversion with the Bishop.

Liturgy:

1. No report given as Linda Webb was absent.
4. The Council has approved the installation of the 2 megapixel camera system in the Church. DeGroots will be contacted for installation .
4. Rachel gave the final report on T-Shirt Sales. (Please see attached report).
5. Rachel shared that the Winamac Middle School received snacks from the Dorothy Gilsinger Account, the Council approved \$200 last month. Fr. K and Rachel went to Sams Club and purchased items totaling \$269 and dropped them off at the school. The Council was asked if anyone had a current idea for our next donation. Fr. K and Rachel shared about a young lady who asked for assistance for a water/sewage bill a month ago. They shared her situation was very unique because she was raising a 1 year disabled child alone and has a job. The Council approved giving her more assistance with rent, utilities and supplies for her daughter with monies from the fund.
6. Fruitful Harvest 2018 is doing very well at St. Peters. We have a goal of \$41,056 and a pledge amount of \$60,190.00. St. Peters is the highest parish in the Diocese.

The meeting ended at 7:50 P.M. with prayer led by Mike Jany.

Minutes submitted by Rachel Morris

The next meeting date will be on Thursday, April 25th at 6:30 P.M.

Parish Council Meeting
Building Maintenance Report
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1. Fans in the church have been installed and are functioning correctly
2. Cracks in Ceiling have been repaired and painted.
3. Cracks above the stain glass windows have been repaired and painted on the north wall of the Church.
4. Other cracks in Church are being repaired on the south wall. The scaffolding will be removed from the Church when finished.
5. Safety trip mats have been placed in the church kitchen (mandated by Catholic Mutual Inspection).

To do list

1. The plaster will be fixed and painted above the St. Peter statue.
2. New lights will be installed in the Sanctuary above the altar and tabernacle. Investigation of cost of supplies to replace old lights with LED lights.
3. Tearing down old plaster in the Religious Education Center chimney and investigate for sure where the water is leaking before spending money on a high efficiency furnace.
4. When weather permits, sidewalks will be fixed (uneven surface by Religious Education center). Must be fixed according to Catholic Mutual Inspection.
5. Outside parking lot light needs repaired.

Social/ Ecumenism Committee Report February 21, 2019

Members – Jackie Kiser, Mike Jany

Social Activity Ideas

- “Potluck” this summer at a park with family games, etc.
- Large scale Mardi Gras party - possibly for 2020
- “Theology Night Out” - after dinner speaker talking on a subject of interest to Catholics
- Outdoor weekend Mass at a park - with picnic to follow

Ecumenism Activity Ideas

- “Theology Night Out” – after dinner speaker with goal of listeners having a better understanding of other Christian religions
- Video presentation of a reputable speaker (Bishop Robert Barron type) speaking on ecumenism. The CD (or DVD) could be passed from one cluster parish to another and presented in the parish hall, with discussion to follow.

Final T-shirt Sale Report
Improvement Fund Fundraiser
November 2018

Total Number of shirts sold:

51 T-shirts

51 Polo Shirts

Total amount of money collected:

\$1,670.00

Total Cost of shirts by JT's Shirt Shack:

\$1,062.00

Profit of \$608.00 transferred to the Improvement Fund