ST. JOHN PAUL II PARISH COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA c April 2nd, 2025

5:30Opening Prayer-Fr Casey

Attendance: Frank Hulsman, Heather Meyer, Michele Norris, Kathy Huber, Lucy Miller, Fr. Casey,

Lynn Haner and Rob Tichy

5:35Approve the March meeting minutes Approved

5:40Fr. Casey discussion items:

- 1. Directors' Updates
 - a. Curt: Parish life (including senior adult) and formation
 - i. No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion, with 32 people
 - ii. Youth Group How to Lent Only one or two high schoolers regularly attendance
 - iii. Scouts up to 10 older members, 30 of 40 younger Cub Scouts attend. Working on various
 - iv. ASAAP Father asked them to move from first Sunday to second so he can attend
 - v. Dead Theologian Society Seems to be going okay that started small and hopefully grow. Growth engine has been through small group bible study and building on that. One or two ladies have joined Christ Life will roll out in September timeframe to build a more personal relationship with our Lord and Savior
 - vi. New business: Nothing else was brought up
 - b. Pattie: Social concerns
 - i. Food Pantry still serving close 200 people a week on Saturday
 - ii. Spring Break Academy Students doing service project in the Pantry, something Father has been hoping to do for awhile.
 - iii. Sister Parish involvement St Martha and St Raphael
 - iv. New business: Tidiness for the back of the church maybe a cabinet, we will explore options very low priority at this point

A person in need that attended 10:30 mass, was asked to work with Jim Sinnott Some Pro-life concerns are now led by Diane Hill. The parish gave \$1000 were given to help a pregnant parishioner

CLOUT Nehemiah action is this Monday 4/7

- c. Katherine: Divine worship
 - i. Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter
 - ii. Choir retreat with Brother Joel
 - iii. Cantor auditions Father wants to know our take on paid cantors?

Kathy brought up Clay who was used before and will talk to Father in private with her concerns. Maybe one weekend a month doing all three masses. The existing cantors would continue to do the other weekends

Katherine is conducting the auditions. Lynn talked about training the current cantors and using more familiar hymns

iv. New business: Father met with the cantors and discussed the music for Holy Week and will meet again for the Easter season

Can parishioners move to the other side of the church to lessen the volume of the organ? Katherine has tendered her resignation effective 5/31, and we are looking for her replacement of all her responsibilities. Somebody that pays attention to detail and can play both the piano and organ

d. Alicia: School

- Read Across America
- ii. Assessment of Children/Youth Religious Education
- iii. Multicultural dinner Lynn said this went well
- iv. New business: Working on enrollment issues, two teachers are ready to retire, so may have to look at options like blending classes

e. Dave: Administration

- i. Update on the relocation of dumpster and recycle
- ii. Bell tower installation, Office Computing is going to run the wiring for this and it may all ready be done. The machine that generates the bell sounds, the key has been found. Hopefully this machine works there could be several less expensive options. Program it maybe to toll hourly
 - Any noise ordinance concerns? May need to investigate
- iii. Painting of the cross (gold). Frank shared a picture and St Joseph Workers first asked why and something they could do. Cooper Gold paint, or Gold plated/glossy? Heather will select a paint
- iv. Fan and switch installation for incense this has gone well so far so the whole sanctuary isn't filled
- v. New business Key fobs have been installed on the school door to and from the church

Frank is also working on LED lighting

f. Bryan: Advancement

- i. Installation of the Entrepreneurial Operating System (EOS) still in progress
- ii. Church doors update, slow progress is still being made. Swing speeds/sweep speed has been adjusted
- iii. 33 Days to Merciful Love going well with smaller groups
- iv. School annual fund at \$55,000 with a goal of \$75,000
- v. Academy enrollment is down for 25-26 school year, several kids are aging out the the pre-k. Trying to get families from the Bell Tower apartments

 Promoting on Google and Facebook, but we have been black listed as being Catholic, Bryan is working to get this resolved
- vi. New business

2. Open Discussion

a. Update on this year's Craft Fair. Kathy is tentatively shooting for September There isn't a core team working on this. Kathy wants to do it outside. Won't have to setup booths, vendors would be given an area to setup all their stuff. Would we consider combining this with the Fall Festival Approximately 36 vendors. Could we shutting down

during mass time. Could we do it around the track? Looking for more of a Holiday Market. Father and Kathy will sit down and discuss on Friday

- b. Saint Joseph's Workers
 - i. Reinstall church ceiling light, with LED lights in place of failed fluorescent.
 - ii. Switch the failed church light fixture over to LED.
 - iii. Install timers on church lighting identified by Father Casey. A few has been installed and programmed
 - iv. Install an outlet in support of Key Fob readers in sacristy closet.
 - v. More exterior painting, as weather improves
 - c. When is the parking lot going to be paved. Water line break and fixing the issue before we can start this.
- 6:55 Schedule next meeting (Wednesday May 21st at 6:00pm)
- 7:00 Closing prayer-volunteer (use suggested closing prayer or your own choice)

SUGGESTED CLOSING PRAYER

As we close this meeting, Lord, we want to give honor to You. Thank You, God, for the time we had today to discuss issues and make decisions. May You bless each person who took the time to gather here today and let Your hand of protection be on them throughout the rest of the week. Let the work done here tonight come to fruition and let it all be for Your glory. Help us each to do our parts to bring the plans discussed to life. Amen.