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Parish Pastoral Council – Meeting Minutes

Monday, December 18, 2023

Those in Attendance:

Fr. Martino, Pastor
Robin Smith, President
Louisa Fisher, Vice President
Doyle, Susan Secretary
David Avard
Nelly Camacho
Ron Proveaux
Barbara Rafferty, Ex-Officio, Finance Committee

Those absent:

Rick Rafter, Ex-, Deacon
Mary Jane Heyman

Meeting opened at 7:00 – Meeting opened with a prayer from Fr. Martino and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Disposition of Minutes:

Minutes from November were reviewed and approved. Louisa made a motion to approve the minutes. Ron seconded it.

Unfinished Business:

1) New flooring coming in January – Floors will be installed January 15th – 19th. Fr. passed the sample of the floor around and a discussion was had about the durability and the style for a “hall.” Robin said we need to discuss how and when we will move everything out of the church. We have to remove the molding out of the church. We could also replace it with a vinyl. It was discussed to remove the quarter-round and reuse what can be reused. The organ will be placed in the narthex and the chairs can be put in the kitchen and the narthex as well.

Reports:

Ministries Updates:

Prayer – Ron Proveaux – Mary states that 5:00 choir on Saturday needs some steady stands. Fr. suggested ordering 5 good stands. Bill Fogarty had 21 people signed up but there were only 3 new ones. Nelly brought up concerns with the music system. The discussion was had about the microphones and the speaker systems. Fr. was trying to understand the system. Fr. said there are too many mics. Fr. said that the mics that should be used should be the ones from the dropdown system. Fr. said we should test the mics and the system before discussing what should be done about it.

Service – Mary Jane – (absent) – no report

Formation – David Avard contacted Rick Rafter but no one else was contacted at this time. No report

Parish Life – Nelly Camacho – no report

Committees:

Finance – Barbara – We did approve the purchase of the HVAC with Comfort – it was several thousand more but they are comparable to commercial units and not just residential. We are doing two units again like we had before. It was \$75,000. The finance committee decided to go with the diocese with the savings. The diocese is just starting like a savings and loan for its parishes. We are going to keep about 10,000 in our account and then the rest we are going to give to the diocese. Then the diocese will loan it out to the parishes as needed. The interest rate will be higher for this than going with a regular savings account. It is a new year. So we will start up the budget again in three months.

Building – Gerry Klock – absent: no report

Discipleship – Polo Rodriguez & Connie Cordeira – absent: no report

New Business

1) No new business

Father Martino:

1) Fr. will be out January 14th – 26th.

2) Gifts given on the Barren Tree need to be more specific for specific girls and boys that people in the parish actually know. The person who knows that family in need can deliver the gifts to that family.

3) Box of Joy – Good program. Bishop says that Knights and CCW are wonderful but sometimes they are concerned more with national standards instead of the needs in the community. Fr. wants to do this early and then do the Box of Joy earlier so as not to overlap with the October and November church events.

Calendar of Events:

December 24th – Christmas Eve vigil mass at 5:00 PM

December 25th – Christmas Day mass at 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM

December 31st – New Year's vigil at 5:00 PM

January 1st – New Year's mass at 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM

January 12th – 14th – Clear the church/move everything in preparation for installing the flooring. Fr. will ask people to stay after mass on the 14th to help move everything.

January 15th – 19th – Installing the new floors

Closing Prayer . . . Fr. said a prayer and ended with a Hail Mary

Meeting Closed at 8:08

Next Meeting, January 29, 2023

Minutes Submitted by Susan Doyle