

St. Mary's Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday Sept. 13, 2023 @ 6:30 PM ST. Paul Hall

Father lead Opening Prayer

Joint Notes:

- New Members: St. James: John, Kristi Swartz, Linda Baker
 - St. Boniface: Bill Benjamine
- Shared Parish Expenses FYI - percent of # families for Youth minister,
 - St. James 16%
 - St. Johns 22%
 - St. Mary's 45%
 - St. Bon. 17%
- Diocese state of catechesis report shared
 - St. Mary's read
 - What challenges?
 - What gives us hope?
 - What should our faith formation know about us?
- This weekend St. James & St. Bon. switch in mass times this weekend
 - Need for Mass e-mails
 - Servant keeper can do mass e-mails
 - Software - Constant contact
 - Dependant on contacts updated
- Change of envelope distribution
 - St. Mary's monthly mailing
 - St. Boniface every 2 months
 - St. Johns/St. James a box once a year
 - Father requests every other month - St. Mary's is OK with the every 2 months
- October is Respect for Life Month
 - Social Justice area of ministry could cover this
 - Father has resources if requested
 - St. Mary's set out a prayer for Tuesday's adoration - Ask Dixie or ask to dedicate one of the Tuesdays to Right for Life
 - Encourage a group to go to Fort Madison's
 - Mary Jane Pranger - ask if she would lead something for Respect for Life
- Catholic Mutual Insurance
 - Performed on site inspections
 - Responses required on what has been done to mitigate St. James & St. Johns
- Definition of Active Members
 - Looking for response from other parishes in response to the one St. Mary's developed
 - Father will not mark someone inactive without first contacting the individuals
 - Need a concluding statement from each parish

- Question: can/should we be promoting our “raffles” and other events at other parishes?
 - Father has no theological objection
- Holy Trinity would like to send mailing to new baptisms ect. in each parish
 - contact information would be shared with the school
 - What do they have in mind - concern if it was perceived as a “marketing ploy”
- Directory
 - Reanne Menke -
 - Distributed a proposed schedule for 5 weekends
 - Link to Sign-up Genius - every hour 6 families
 - e-mail information to a shared e-mail
 - request of cookies to have
- Ministry Fair

Opening Prayer:

Mission Statement: St Mary’s of the Assumption Parish is a Eucharistic community sharing God’s faith, hope and love. We strive through liturgy, sacraments, ministries, education and outreach to be the presence of Jesus Christ in our world.

Consent Agenda Approval

1. Attendance: Luke Boylan, Nic Chiri, Sydney Foeke,
 - a. Visitors Matthew Garmoe, Kevin, Rebecca
 - b. Kelly was absent; still need one more
2. Approval of Agenda - Nic approves, Sydney seconds
3. Approval of August Minutes - Sydney approves, Nic seconds

Reports & Updates:

1. Religious Education Report -
 - a. Homebound - once a month
 - b. Nursing home - Father twice a month, Eucharistic ministers other two weeks a month.
2. Family Ministry
 - a. 1 St. Mary & a chaperone going to NCYC w/ some other parishes
 - b. Need to start the search
3. Maintenance Report
 - a. Luke Provided Paint - Scraping and painting started today 9/13/23
 - b. Window that was broken - has been ordered, contractor lined up
 - c. Visited the dome - to find if there was a way to access the top windows from the inside.
4. School Board Report
 - a. schools

- b. bought the funeral home building - final inspection occurred today 9/13/23
5. Finance Committee

Old Business:

1. Office Building-Fundraising
 - a. memorial money's
 - b. donations trickling approaching 800,000 <math><1/3</math> of need
 - c. what is the next step?
 - d. Presentation for Fall Festival & Commitments
 - i. table with pledge forms
 - ii. 68/399 families have participated
 - iii. At the point of personal contact
 - iv. Farmers - can take a crop
2. Progress of new Office Building.
 - a. close to on schedule
3. Logo
4. Steeple & Dome repair
 - a. Visited dome repair - don't know if that has been rescheduled
 - i. still needing shingles
 - b. The window, working on local contractors
5. Welcoming & Belonging
6. Eucharistic Adoration
 - a. have to have 2 people present and a Eucharistic minister
 - b. Ask the other parishes, if we could rotate it
 - c. If we had it after mass, could we line up child care? which would require CMG.
 - d. during Wednesday night during Religious Ed. once a month
7. Eucharistic Revival Education - United states Catholic bishops
 - a. is there a video we can scan the QR code about the Eucharistic revival
 - b. source and summit of faith is the Eucharist

New Business:

1. Need 1 new member
2. Matthew Garmoe & Kevin Sweet Corn Festival follow up.
 - a. General Chairs w/ Day Managers
 - b. Allowed time to dig into the data
 - i. Gross Rev - \$19,000Gross, \$6,500Net
 1. \$1,700 tent, \$11,000 food
 - ii. With 750 man hours = \$13 an hour.
 - c. Originated 30 years ago making \$6,000-10,000 then
 - d. Pro's:

- i. Maintaining Community engagement
 - ii. Compliments on food, pies
- e. Request for evaluation.
 - i. Should we poll the parishioners? - Luke
 - ii. Have idea's for anything else we could do?
 - iii. take-out model
- f. Fall Festival
 - i. Sign-up Genius
 - ii. conflicts from harvest, football games
 - iii. possibly differentiate with Spring or other
- g. Will talk to people over the next month - and prepare to talk to Matt & Kevin in November

Next Month : October 4, 2023

Closing Prayer: Hail of Mary