



ATTENDEES: Father Greg, Dan Williams, Deacon Tom, Mike Dzurik, Danielle Schoenfeldt, Lisa Dylewski, Jim Lohse, Nadine Merry, Rich Galbraith, Bonnie Krumppe, Norm Krumppe, Marilyn Gaber, Matt Johnson, Alene Gardner

Excused: Deacon Bill and Joe Przybycien

OPENING: The All Saints February Council Meeting was called to order by Council President Dan Williams at 7:00 PM. The prayer was led by Danielle Schoenfeldt.

APPROVAL OF JANUARY MINUTES: A motion was made by Mike D and second by Norm K. The minutes were approved as read.

FINANCE REPORT: Mike D gave out the completed financial report for the last 6 months of the current fiscal year. Total offertory is down \$37,000 from last year. Monthly collections have decreased \$21,000 from 2017 to 2018. Over the years the analysis of our contributions show that a significant portion of our offertory comes from a small percentage of our families. Some of those families have left the parish in the last few years or reduced their contributions. However, this January is better than last January. So we are hopeful.

- Operating expenses have increased about \$1,000.
- Facility repairs are up about \$3,000. Our facility is over 12 years old and needs more maintenance and repairs. Building Maintenance envelopes are included in the monthly packets and is listed on the online giving site. PLEASE consider providing for the maintenance of our building. We have collected about \$4,000 in our building maintenance fund in our current fiscal year.
- Diocesan and Education Assessments are up about \$2,000.
- We have about \$185,000 in our checking, savings and scrip accounts. \$10,000 of the savings will be used to pay for the front doors of our worship space.
- To date 23 families are using online giving. We have collected \$40,000 with \$700 in fees (1.7%).

Father Greg checked with several neighboring parishes and they are experiencing the same issues with offertory, although some thought it was a seasonal thing. Our Lady of the Lake in Edinboro saw a 10% decrease.

CSA will be coming up soon. Father plans to give a dvd presentation to show where CSA money goes.

RELIGIOUS ED:

- We had to cancel one weekend of classes, two Confirmation classes and a class mass due to weather.
- We had our Epiphany Pageant – **super adorable!!** Fun, and a great way to bring the Gospel to life!

Looking ahead:

- Saturday February 23 First Reconciliation retreat and Sacrament. 6 students. We will have a little meal at the end of the Reconciliation celebration.
- Saturday March 2 – class mass at 4:30 mass for grades 3 & 4, then a

Mardi Gras party from 5:30 to 7:30. Pizza and drinks and desserts, volunteers needed to help cook and serve!

DEACON'S REPORT:

- Tom:

The Knights of Columbus will be doing a participation Mass on Saturday Mar 9th. They will be doing all the ministries for that mass, including the music.

PASTOR'S REPORT:

- After serving our parish for 15 years, Deacon Bill has prayerfully decided to step down for health reasons from the duties as Deacon, effective February 1st. Bishop Persico has accepted his letter of resignation. He will, for example, distribute Holy Communion, assist with First Friday Communion and do nursing home visitations. Some discussion about showing our appreciation to Deacon Bill, more to follow. He will formally announce his resignation at both masses sometime in February.

There was a Liturgy meeting on Monday the 4th of February in preparation for Lent.

- Pentecost is a celebration that emphasizes the Holy Spirit. The vestments and altar linens are red. We are encouraged to wear something red on Pentecost Sunday, June 9th.
- Stations of the Cross during Lent has not been very well attended in the past. A lengthy discussion was held about a possible time slot to have the stations be better attended.
 - Suggestion was made to possibly have it at some point during the fish dinners on Fridays. Workers at the dinners would not be able to attend because of their duties. Lay people could be the ones to lead the stations. Does not have to be a Priest or a Deacon. A decision was made to advertise it at 6:00 p.m. Father will communicate our thoughts to the Liturgy committee.
- At January's meeting, Joe Przybycien brought to our attention the need for gutter maintenance and other repairs that will be needed in the spring. CMS comes here periodically to assess our needs and were here January 15th. They inspect parking lot, landscaping, exterior etc. They will look at the roof and gutters in the spring.
- St Martin's is doing a fundraiser on Sunday February 24th at the Bayfront Convention Center 10:00 – 1:00 pm. "Choose Your Best Coffee". \$10 advance tickets \$15 at the door. Kids under 12 are free.
- Father Michael Polinek will be coming on Sunday March 24th for an altar's servers recognition mass. Possibility of combining this occasion with the introduction of the Vocation Chalice.

OLD BUSINESS:

Danielle would like to see the women's group become a reality. Marilyn will contact the ladies from Mount Carmel to find more information on their women's group. Nadine will contact someone from St Jude's about their group.

Father commented about the success of forming a Knights of Columbus group here and that several women inquired about forming a ladies group. He contacted the Family Ministry's office and they will get back to him with information about establishing one in our parish.

NEW BUSINESS:

Matt would like to present an information meeting about identity theft and personal security. He would like to offer this to parishioners sometime during March or April.

- Matt suggested a fundraiser combining a cruise-in with a craft show. Also suggested a 5k run.
- Dan mentioned that we still need volunteers for ushers, greeters and observers. Training will be provided. The doors will be locked and we are recruiting help to man the doors during mass and religious education.
- Plans are coming together for the card party in May.
- Fish dinners will begin on March 8th.
- Danielle inquired about more information on having a 5k run. It is a very expensive event and would require a lot of planning.
- Nadine mentioned that the Waterford historical society is looking for a person to run Waterford Days.

NEXT MEETING; March 7th at 7:00pm

CLOSING PRAYER: Led by Danielle.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion was made at 8:15 by Mike and second by Norm.

Minutes recorded, printed and submitted by Alene Gardner