**PASTORAL PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES**

**May 28, 2024**

**Present:** Fr. John, Fr. Jaison, Fr. Homero, Jason Nord, Jason Messmer, Richard Kunkel, Tracie Ihle, Lynn Scheu, Sarah Kasprzak, Christine Brinkman Tammy Mehringer, Dan Fritch, Irma Alanis

**Absent:** Fr. Christian, Fr. Darnis, Luke Messmer, Maggie Schneider, Pam Freyberger

The 7:00 pm meeting was called to order by Jason Nord.

**Opening Prayer –** Fr. John led us in prayer.

Sarah Kasprzak made a motion to approve the April 2024 Parish Council minutes. Christine Brinkman made a second motion. All were in favor of approval.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Tracie provided an update on the Church renovation storybook.
2. Dan Fritch shared the search for a social media account/marketing manager is on hold.
3. Men’s organization update: Next meeting is scheduled for June 23, 2024. Fr. John reported the Baseball game tailgate event was a success. Reviewed upcoming events where the Men’s Club will provide support.
4. English/Spanish Classes – Fr. John reported this is still in progress. We are still looking for more volunteers.
5. The Chapel dedication to Mother Théodore Guérin is pending a date when the Sisters will be in Jasper.
6. Upstairs Speakers in Church – Fr. John/Dan shared we are waiting for speakers to arrive. Hoping these will be installed in May/June.
7. Guadalupe Statue Fund Raiser – Fr. John shared Kyle reached his fundraising goal! Discussed planning a fundraiser and social event where the Hispanic and Anglos St. Joseph community can celebrate together.
8. Men’s Welcome Weekend Continuation Committee –Fr. John is working with Kent Reyling and expecting the group will begin meeting in the fall.
9. Job Posting for Organist/Music Ministry – Fr. John is coordinating an interview with a candidate and the music ministry staff.
10. July 20 Bus Trip Planned – Fr. John shared 37 people have signed up to attend. Currently have 13 open seats. This continues to be advertised in the bulletin.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Dan Fritch and Tammy Mehringer presented the Budget to the Parish Council. After a thorough review and discussion, Dan Fritch made a motion to approve the Budget. Jason Nord made a second motion. All were in favor of approval.
2. Discussed the possibility of installing a chair lift to choir loft. The Council agreed to pursue quotes for further consideration.
3. Review the timeline for upcoming Parish Council elections. There are three open seats being vacated by Jason Nord, Maggie Schneider and Luke Messmer.
   1. July 13/14 & 20/21 – Seeking candidates
   2. July 27/28 & August 6/7 – Candidate bio’s published
   3. August 10/11 – Voting
   4. August 16 – Announce winners
   5. August 27 – First Parish Council Meeting for winners
4. Jason led a discussion of what are the top goals for the Parish in 2025 by reflecting our St. Joseph Church’s Mission Statement: We Invite all to Worship, Pray, and Evangelize as We Love and Serve the Lord.
5. Fr. John shared a proposal for a re-organization of commissions.
   1. Liturgy and Prayer Commission
   2. Life and Justice Commission
   3. Community Life
   4. Evangelization and Catechesis
6. Heard Commission updates from the chairs.
7. Reminder the Church picnic will be Sunday, June 2!

**CLOSING PRAYER – Fr. Jaison**

MEMBERS: Jason Nord, Luke Messmer, Maggie Schneider, Jason Messmer, Christine Brinkman, Richard Kunkel

COMMISSION CHAIRS: Dan Fritch, Lynn Scheu, Sarah Kasprzak, Tracie Ihle, Irma Alanis

STAFF MEMBERS: Fr. John Brosmer, Fr. Homero Rodriguez, Fr. Christian Raab, Fr. Jaison Kuzhiyil, Pam Freyberger, Tammy Mehringer, Tracie Ihle.

**\*\* Tuesday, July 23rd @ 7 PM will be the next meeting \*\***