St. Ignatius Parish Council Meeting Minutes

August 25, 2022

Present: Father Meyer, Roger Millner, Connie Nelson, Pat Athman, Jerry Rudolph, Jen Holte, Anastacia Schnabel and Julie Petersen

Absent: Father Magner, Sam Millner, Red Petersen

The Parish Council Meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM

Opening prayer- Father Meyer, followed by Holy Spirit Prayer

There was not a Parish Council Meeting in June 2022

May 2022 Parish Council Minutes

Julie Petersen made a motion to accept the minutes of the May 19, 2022 Parish Council meeting, second by Jerry Rudolph- motion unanimously carried.

Old Business

Synod Initiative Parish Picnic- There were approximately 140 people in attendance, and the feedback has been positive especially in terms of the variety of activities. It was suggested the picnic become an annual church event. The Parish Council will look into reserving the location in August 2023.

New Business

Bonnie's Retirement Party- Bonnie Polich will be retiring after being our parish secretary for 30 years, and many additional years as a volunteer, her retirement party will be Sunday, August 28th, following the 8:30 am Mass in the gathering space.

Mardi Gras- The annual Mardi Gras event will be held February 18, 2023. The application for the gambling license has been submitted and raffle tickets will be printed soon. The council members discussed potential areas in need of fundraising. It was decided the parish and rectory would benefit from an irrigation system. Anastacia Schnabel made a motion to accept the idea, second by Jen Holte- motion unanimously carried.

Update of Staff- Anastacia Schnabel will be the new Director of Religious Education (DRE) for the parish. Anastacia has a degree in Child Development and Family Science, and has been serving as a second grade faith formation teacher for several years. The Parish is still looking for a Youth Minister. Bonnie Polich's position will also be posted soon.

Whispering Pines Golf Event- Council members reconsidered a previous invitation from Whispering Pines to host a golf tournament. The event would involve finding sponsors and

volunteers. The decision was made to look for someone interested in chairing the event before a final decision is made.

Synod- In an effort to respond to the ideas from the Synod process, the Adult Faith Formation Committee is providing a 5 week program "A Biblical Walk through the Mass" beginning September 11th. There has been great interest so far. The Adult Faith Formation Committee also prepared the Adoration videos shown August 20/21 & August 27/28 following the Masses. The videos were well attended, and feedback has been positive. In the formal Synod timeline, the Archbishop's pastoral letter will be released this fall at the Feast of Christ the King.

Pat Athman reports the Deanery is re-establishing quarterly meetings which will increase the communication and shared ideas within the parishes in our region. This is also a way for the parishes to bring ideas/concerns to the level of the Archdiocese as a group.

Pastor/Trustee Reports

Connie- There is a St. Pau's Discipleship Formation Day at the NET center in St. Paul Saturday, September 17, 2022. The cost is \$45 and you have to register. It is for catechists, volunteers, parents, and small group leaders.

Father Meyer- The Parish Picnic was a wonderful success, many thanks to all that made the event happen.

Jen Holte made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Jerry Rudolph- motion unanimously carried.

The meeting closed with prayer- Father Meyer

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM

Julie Petersen

St. Ignatius Parish Council Secretary

The next Parish Council Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 29, 2022 at 7:00 PM