

ST. JOSEPH'S

PARISH



COUNCIL

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ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH COUNCIL

Date: March 7th, 2019

Time: 7:00PM

ATTENDEES:

Fr. Benjamin
Nancy Palumbo
Carolyn Kramer
Katie McMicken
Norm Turner
Pam Turner

ABSENTEES:

Dustin Bliss
Deacon Mark
Cathy Levesque
Kathleen Gray
Joe Levesque
Jim McBride
Bill Place
Amy Rogers

Opening prayer by Nancy Palumbo

OLD BUSINESS

- **Flocknote:**
 - Flyer went into bulletin
 - 1 new member, totalling 59!

- **Faith Formation (Father Benjamin):**
 - Retreat on March 16th
 - Father/Deacon meeting with Confirmation students
 - March 28th: First Reconciliation and Penance Service 7pm
 - May 2nd: Rehearsal Dinner for First Communion
 - May 5th: First Communion at 10:30 Mass

- **Upcoming Liturgy:**
 - ***May's Parish Council meeting was rescheduled for April 30th***
 - ***April 4th is next meeting and then April 30th (will be May's meeting)***
 - April 14th Palm Sunday (Procession from basement to Church)
 - April 18th Holy Thursday Last Supper Mass 7pm
 - April 19th Good Friday 3pm Service
 - April 19th Tenebrae Service 7pm
 - April 20th Holy Saturday Blessing of Easter Baskets
 - April 21th 8pm Mass Easter Vigil
 - RCIA: Ali West will be initiated into the Church, receiving all her sacraments at Easter Vigil
 - April 22nd Easter Sunday Resurrection Mass: 8am, 10:30am
 - June 1st Confirmation at St. George's

- **Bereavement:**
 - (Pam) Kelly putting together totes for Bereavement committee
 - Kelly will have serviceware for Bereavement use only
 - Father received a letter complimenting St. Joseph's Parish Bereavement lunch.
 - Tweaking a few items on committee's end to help everything run smoothly.
 - Need baked beans or small veggie tray
 - Carolyn will begin making banana breads
 - Possibly gluten free items from Katie, as needed
 - Setting up buffet where salad can be separate

- **Respect Life:**
 - Call Immaculate Conception for information on March for Life 2020
 - Respect life is committed to keeping parishioners informed on pro-life issues and providing parishioners with pro-life resources.
 - An announcement about the Rosebud program is still being completed and will be read at the end of Masses.

- **Mother/Daughter and Women of the Parish and Father/Son Men of the Parish Breakfast:**
 - June 2nd Men Breakfast
 - October 20th Women Breakfast
 - Pam and Norm will purchase prizes for Men's breakfast
 - Katie will purchase prizes/favors for Women's breakfast
 - Print tickets without date and get a bundle from Pennysaver
 - Vietnam war speaker for Men's Breakfast
 - Nancy Palumbo speaker for Women's breakfast

- **WIFI**

- **Five Qualities of a Small Parish (Deacon):**
 - Everyone enjoyed and appreciated the article
 - St. Joseph's has such a welcoming, family like environment
 - Would like to send personal invites to new parishioners for Parish Picnic
 - Possibly have an annual coffee and donuts inviting new parishioners and inviting people involved in ministries.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Tulip Festival Float:**
 - The McMicken/West family will decorate float according to this year's theme.
 - Need: float entry information including theme for this year.
 - Need: Would like to order t-shirts with St. Joseph's Holland, NY on back for children
 - Announcement inviting children of parish to join float procession. Ask to bring a bag of candy
 - Need more candy for this year.

- **Easter Books:**
 - 88 leftover “Rediscover Jesus” books will be placed in the vestibule with an announcement asking people to take for themselves or someone they know.
 - 200 copies of “Why I Love Being Catholic” by Matthew Kelly will be purchased and handed out beginning on Saturday’s, Easter Vigil Mass.

- **Giving Tree Thank You:**
 - Ordered items
 - A thank you announcement will be written up after items are purchased.

Meeting was adjourned at 8pm, with closing prayer by Carolyn Kramer

NEXT MEETING IS April 4th AT 7:00PM in the Parish Hall
Opening prayer will be offered by Katie
Closing prayer will be offered by Pam