

ST. JOSEPH'S

PARISH



COUNCIL

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ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH COUNCIL

Date: October 1, 2019

Time: 7:00PM

ATTENDEES:

Fr. Benjamin
Deacon Mark
Kathleen Gray
Katie McMicken
Nancy Palumbo
Bill Place
Norm Turner
Pam Turner

ABSENTEES:

Cathy Levesque

Opening prayer by Nancy

Action Items and Needs Identified During This Meeting

Action Item (Old Business)	Completed/Notes
Respect Life Schedule meeting for September (Katie)	Katie will meet with Sherrie K. to discuss Respect Life Month of October and who will take the lead.
Respect Life Life Chain Date (Katie)	TBD Keeping Sunday, October 20th open as a possible date for Life Chain. Coffee and Donuts is also taking place on October 20th
Women's Breakfast Announcements and Volunteer Sheet (Norm & Pam)	Selling Tickets (10 tickets sold thus far) . Asking for volunteers. Contact Patty Schumacher. Screen and Projector
Committee Responses Create Questionnaire and comment box for month	Speak with Cathy about how to execute. Get a template questionnaire.
Giving Tree: Set up tree before Thanksgiving	Pam volunteered to decorate tree and put tags on before Thanksgiving
Giving Tree (Cathy):	Cathy - Deacon Mark stated that confirmation students could decorate tags for service hours, if they needed. Cathy to let Deacon now. Cathy - Announcement for Giving Tree before Thanksgiving
Letter to a Suffering Church: Read Chapters and discussion of book (Norm)	Would be a valuable resource for parishioners. Let parishioners take a copy of book from vestibule and downstairs table.
Action Item (New Business)	Completed/Notes
Coffee and Donuts	Need more help with set-up and clean-up

OLD BUSINESS

- **Respect Life**
 - October 20th tentatively

- **Women's Breakfast**
 - First week sold around 10 tickets
 - Call into Patty Schumacher
 - Screen and Projector

- **Committee Responses**
 - Double check with Cathy on questionnaire
 - Questionnaire is a suggestion to help grow/support the parish
 - The printed cards would be out for around a month

- **Giving Tree**
 - Cathy spoke to Pam and will get 25 tags
 - Over 14 years of age will be giftcards
 - Under 14 will be gender and wish list
 - Cards will be here soon, let Cathy know if tags needs to be decorated, the Confirmation Students can work on them towards service hours
 - Pam will get the tree will be put up a week before Thanksgiving around Friday November 22nd

- **Letter to a Suffering Church**
 - Norm sent out 3 videos
 - Discussed the current situation of the Church and how it pertains to the needs of the Parishioners at St. Joseph's
 - Council members agreed that the book would be a valuable resource to St. Joseph's Parishioners and should be available for their taking.

- **Flocknote**
 - Same number of people

NEW BUSINESS

- **Pastor's Report**

- No complaint regarding the sex abuse of the clergy from Parishioners of St. Joseph's
- Any complaint must follow a protocol and should be passed on to the Dioceses
- There will be a Priest study day at Christ the King Seminary
- There was a recent Finance Committee meeting
- Audits/Budget
 - Auditors from inside and outside the Parish
 - Planned for the new fiscal year budget
 - Budget has been finalized and sent to the diocese
 - October 19th -20th results from Audit will be read at Mass
 - Parish collections are satisfactory
- Liturgy Meeting
 - Meet every 3 months
 - October 2nd meeting
- October 4th St. Francis Blessing at 6pm and then followed by Adoration
 - Preparing the calendar for next year
- Father leaves for India on October 14th and returns October 21st
 - Fr. Paul
 - Fr. Larry Kobel
 - All Saints Mass November 1st (Father will be out)

- **Nick Batemen is an Eagle Scout and is building a Manger**

- Pull out figures so he can measure and make is collapsible

- **New Families for Faith Formation**

- A combined class for confirmation is going well.

- **Coffee and Donuts**

- Tentative dates
- Need help with setup and cleanup

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm, with closing prayer by

NEXT MEETING IS Tuesday October 1st AT 7:00PM in the Parish Hall
Opening prayer will be offered by Norm
Closing prayer will be offered by Nancy