

St. Joseph Church
Parish Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 11, 2019

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| Fr. Mike Spiekermeier | | | x | x | | | | | | | | | |
| Carol Kaalberg (Cluster Coordinator) | | | x | x | | | | | | | | | |
| Jim Ball (3 rd year) | | | x | a | | | | | | | | | |
| Nancy Waldschmidt(3rd year) | | | x | x | | | | | | | | | |
| Arlene Johnston (3rd year) | | | x | x | | | | | | | | | |
| Mike Sieverding (3rd year) | | | x | x | | | | | | | | | |
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| Marty Boeckenstedt (Lay director) | | | X | x | | | | | | | | | |
| Carol Kirkpatrick (Lay director) | | | x | x | | | | | | | | | |

1. The meeting was called to order by Nancy Waldschmidt at 6:35 pm. There were no guests.
2. Opening Prayer – Vision 20/20 Prayer
3. Minutes from the February meeting were approved, motion by Mike Sieverding and 2nd by Arlene.
4. Report from Fr Mike
 - March 10 was Rite of Election at St. Patrick, Iowa City with Bishop Zinkula About 130 catechumens and candidates attended with families
 - Lenten Communal penances begin in the diocese. Our cluster communal penance is 4/10
 - Lenten Stations/Mass/Soup supper begin 3/14 at Hills and Lone Tree
 - Today Lone Tree hosted a DRE retreat from 9-3. Trudi Westfall organized it.
 - March 25 Finance Council meeting at 6:30 with Hills Bank
 - Easter Vigil Masses will be 8:30 instead of 8:00
 - April 15 is the Chrism Mass at Sacred Heart Cathedral at 2:30
 - Registrations are due for Vision 20/20 Convocation
 - St. Joseph donated \$25,000 to St. Mary, Lone Tree for their accessibility project and \$25,000 to the Church of St. Mary for their ramp project
 - A mailing was sent to parishioners who donated to ADA last year but not this year.
 - We will take a bus to Terry Ball’s ordination. Will have a signup and ask small fee to register. Parish will cover the remaining cost of the bus. There will be a lunch at the cathedral after the ordination.
 - Father asked Carol Kirkpatrick to summarize the Regional Vision 20/20 meeting at West Branch. Kay Temple was the diocesan representative and parishioners from Wilton and West Branch attended. Attendees reviewed responses to their local Vision 20/20 meeting. No final conclusion or actions were identified.

Report from Carol Kaalberg

- Saturday May 4 is Graduates Mass at Lone Tree. Hills graduates are Ashley Musser, Austin Marshek, Katie Boeckenstedt and Joe Westemeyer. Judy will send invitations.
- Sunday, May 5 is First Eucharist at Hills. Eight will receive First Eucharist. Each will receive a prayer book and rosary. Hills students are Mia Dalton and Brooklyn Henley. Hills A&R will host a reception after.
- May 22 Baccalaureate at Nichols church for West Liberty graduates
- May 22 Baccalaureate at United Presbyterian Church with St. Mary, Lone Tree for Lone Tree graduates

- May 27 Memorial Day Masses are 10 am at St. Stanislaus and 9 am at the Nichols Cemetery.

5. Commission Reports

Church/Family Life

- Nothing new to report

Social Action:

- Nothing new to report

Faith Formation – Nancy Waldschmidt

- A smaller attendance of students at the Ash Wednesday Mass

Building and Grounds

- Mike Sieverding checked bricks around the foundation on the east side of the church that are scaling. Will continue to watch as weather dries up.
- We had water coming into the basement on the east side of the floor/carpet during ice thawing. Chris Steckman helped with cleanup and Mike Parker brought floor fans to dry the carpet. Thick ice next to the foundation that was thawing is probably the problem. Mike will work on removing it tomorrow and monitor to make sure that is the problem.

Cemetery

- Nothing new to report.

Altar and Rosary

- Did not meet in March. Next meeting is 4/4. We will discuss June activities: Terry Ball ordination on June 1 and Mass and brunch/reception on June 2; undecided whether to have Salad Luncheon; June 23 Father Mike's 50th Jubilee Mass and Reception. Free Lunch Meal is April 23.

Liturgy:

- Easter Vigil Masses are 8:30 not 8:00.

Old Business:

- Dates for Pictorial Directory are July 11-13 for Hills; July 25 for Nichols; July 26-27 for Lone Tree. Parishioners from the cluster will be asked to submit pictures of parish events/activities for the directory. Digital photos should be sent to Judy Stebral – jbstebra@peoplepc.com. The request will be put in the cluster bulletin.
- April 14 will be Parish Council nominations with Parish Council elections on April 28 at all cluster churches. Nomination forms will be distributed March 24 and 31.

5. New Business

- Carol Kirkpatrick attended a diocesan meeting "Hundredfold" and sat with Fr. Paul Appel and others from Mt. Pleasant churches. They discussed the immigrant families there who are now all bonded through the immigrant system but are unable to work until the disposition of their status is final. Presbyterian church and St. Alphonsus church are accepting donations with IowaWINS to help families with food, utilities, clothing etc. Cost for a family for one month is about \$750. Carol Made a motion that St. Joseph donate \$2,500 to IowaWINS. Arlent Seconded. Motion passed.

Next meeting is April 29 as Father Mike will be gone on April 22. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm with the Our Father.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Stebral, Recording Secretary