

May Parish Council Meeting
Tuesday May 19th at 7:00pm

Attendees: Dan Walter, Cindy Robinson, Karen O'Rourke, Dan Young, Susan Straub, Katie Early, Natalie Ising, Laura Ridge, Abby Simon, Patrick Parris, Father Adam, John Dwyer, Aaron Thompson, and Theresa Garrett

Opening Prayer - Prayer of St Francis (Father Adam)

Minutes from 4.26 meeting were approved

Department updates:

School (Natalie):

- Last day is 5/27

PTO (Abby):

- Planning numerous events for 2022-2023 including Cornhole Tournament on 7/30 and Back-to-School Bash on 8/20

Worship (Karen):

- Met on May 10th to review Holy Week liturgy and discuss First Communion Mass (what went well and what needs to change for next year)
- Email her or Patrick with recommendations

Athletics (Laura for Teague) - Golf is opening up, Volleyball sign ups for girls camps over the summer. Football signups will go out over the summer.

Liturgical (Patrick):

- Flynn graduated and will be here full time - during week and weekend
- Formation events - review 1st communion, and the Easter Egg hunt went well
- Pre-planning event for funerals, 9 showed, will consider food for the next one.
- Theresa, Patrick and Father Adam have completed Part 1 of Cultivating Parishes

Family Formation (Patrick):

- Summary document was emailed out; Father Adam will give an overview.
- Father Adam wrote a letter to be sent out to all school families and parish families. There were suggestions that it was written in a way that it was more confusing than helpful. John has offered to attempt a re-write.

Sacramental preparation (Patrick):

- Will be part of Family Formation. All Sacramental prep will stay as it has been for school students. All sacramental prep will take place in the classroom. There will be the option that any school student can also attend the Family Formation outside of school. Family Formation will be for "Anchor" kids to have sacramental prep.

Finance (Aaron):

- Reviewed 2022-2023 budget
- Includes CCRSA of \$160K
- Assumes picnic nets \$90K
- Excludes landscaping, lighting, new signage, gutters and painting projects that have been discussed
- Budget was approved as presented (attached)

Pastor's Update (Father Adam):

Father Adam's recent social media posts were discussed. Father also referenced a discussion with Father Jeff Shooner (Archdiocese Vicar of Priests). The Archdiocese committed to:

- Assign Father Adam a mentor to help guide him.
- Identify other professional developmental opportunities.
- Request Father remove specific social media posts.
- Send a letter to Parish Council members and meet with them regarding the Way Forward.

Many expressed their opinions and thoughts of how these posts were hurtful to the community. Father Adam has written a letter to the Parish, apologizing about his posts. Some members thought it did not go far enough and asked him to consider a stronger apology.

Next meeting is scheduled for 7/26 at 6:30 pm

Closing Blessing (Father Adam)

Meeting ended at 9:20 pm