

**Parish Council Meeting**  
**Tuesday September 27th at 7:00pm**

**Attendees:** Katie Earley, Susan Straub, Debra White, Cindy Robinson, Father Adam, Jacob Kerber, Dan Young, Laura Ridge, Patrick Paris, Karen O'Rourke

**Opening Prayer** - Prayer of St Francis (Father Adam)

**Minutes from 5.19 meeting approved**

**Minutes from 8.23 meeting approved**

**Pastor's Update (Father Adam):**

State of Ascension – Went well, had several families in attendance for Mass and then following with the potluck.

Hoping to have the year in review printed and passed out at the end next year. We don't want to pass out ahead of time so they will listen to Father discuss info during the Homily.

The "State of Ascension" packet can be found online and there are several still in the back of church, these will stay until they are all gone.

Fr's Goals for Discernment:

1. Staffing
2. Mission & vision (Parish & School)
3. Moving forward as a parish

Remaining year meeting dates:

October 25<sup>th</sup>

November 22<sup>nd</sup>

December 13<sup>th</sup> will be a joint gathering between all committees. NO meeting this month.

Consulting Firm Updates:

Patrick did a lot of research on several consulting firms, found 7 and settled on 4 that they felt met the needs Father Adam wanted to hit on. Information on the final 4 that were settled on is attached.

Most of the 4 Consulting Firms offer the chance to only meet with a few people. Father Adam said the 8 potentials would probably include himself, Patrick, Tasha, Terry, Brian Back, Cindy Robinson, and a few others on the leadership team. (Question for consulting group: staff AND volunteers? Staff AND/OR Consultant selected committee?)

It was stated, as a committee we thought we needed more voices than just 8 people. Some felt that committee members should not be handpicked by Father Adam, in order to receive a wide variety of opinions from a diverse group we needed a larger selection and people.

It was discussed with all the differences of what they offer, instead of spending a large amount of money now we should look at the Disciple Maker Index by the Catholic Leadership Institute. Patrick was going to make sure that The Disciple Maker was an option for now and would be looking at a much larger number of people in the community. Also to ask about review of the questions asked and so forth, then get started with this at the price of \$2,500.

## **Department updates:**

### School (Brian):

Open House October 25<sup>th</sup> 9am-6pm

### PTO (Cindy for Abby):

1. Mother/son event was a success! However some people said they didn't know about it. We're working on communication and looking for missing links. Most of our publicity is on our Facebook page, but those without Facebook don't see it. Alec publishes our info in week in faith. Susie posts in lowdown. We are sending out paper copies of monthly newsletter in bulletin and via school to help improve communication.

2. Next meeting is 10/11

2. Trivia night is coming up 10/15. Tickets on sale now!

3. Trunk or treat 10/28 630-830!

### Worship (Cindy gave for Karen):

Got all new hymnals and will be donating our current hymnals

### Athletics (Teague) –

Volleyball Jamboree coming up – will allow csaa teams to have home game, and we will celebrate the 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Basketball Signups will be opening up soon.

Asked Father Adam if we can hang banners for all 8<sup>th</sup> graders throughout the year to celebrate them in whatever sport or club they may be participating in, he said Yes that would be great

Celebration for Pam Amon's years of service (secret)

### Liturgical (Patrick):

### Finance (Cindy for Aaron):

Begun discussion of school registration process & potential changes to fee structure (in line with other Catholic schools)

**Next meeting is scheduled for 10/25 at 7:00 pm**

## **Prayer Requests**

**Closing Blessing (Father Adam)**

**Meeting ended at 8:15 pm**