

Minutes from February 21, 2019

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Present: Deacon John, Laura Miller, Suzee & RJ Irwin, Nikki Bircher, Becky Konersmann, Mary Bankston, Ken Amend

- I. Opening prayer led by Deacon John
- II. Minutes from January meeting approved
- III. Updates from Deacon John:
 - Inclement weather resulted in low mass attendance, therefore weekly contributions are down. Need more parishioners to register for Online Giving, to prevent these types of fluctuation.
- IV. L'Arche has outgrown their current space and are moving out of the rectory at the end of April. They have approached the parish to possibly purchase the Annex building.

Discussion:

 - Annex is used by Parishioners for office space, meetings and gatherings: with L'Arche moving out of the rectory space will be available upstairs or the LaSalette Room in the church hall can be utilized.
 - Meeting room in Annex was recently updated. A lot of hard work and funds by parishioners went into this project.
 - Annex' upkeep is an expense: L'Arche was paying \$1200 per month rent which the parish will longer receive to help with finances.
 - Parish Council has requested, if possible, an estimate on monthly utility and maintenance expenses associated with Annex upkeep.
 - If L'Arche purchases the Annex, they will need to bring the building up to code and make it handicap accessible. Estimate to rehab \$250,000 over and above the purchase price.
 - Garage will not be part of the sale.
 - L'Arche has agreed to let parish utilize space if they are not using
 - Archbishop Carlson has left the decision to sell up to the Parish, will send an Archdiocesan appraiser to assess value of building.
 - Deacon John to inform parishioners at mass and in the bulletin.
- V. The 2020 date for Immaculate Conception to offer the Dynamic Catholic program is still with the selection committee as they are working on their 2019 calendar. RJ will meet with Fr. Pete to discuss after Lent
- VI. 3 couples have been approached to be Co-Chairs of the Activities Commission. One family has said yes, the others are still considering.
- VII. Fish Fry supplies will be purchased in bulk prior to the season. Suppliers, Toko and GFS, will take back any unused nonperishable product at end of Fish Fry season. This is to eliminate the last minute need to run out and buy supplies.
 - Beginning process of recruiting workers will begin at masses 02/23 and 02/24.
- VIII. Welcoming Committee is going to place informational plaques around the gym, so people standing in line can learn about parish. They are also going to have activities for children to participate in.
- IX. Closing prayer led by Deacon John

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.