

Tri Parish Pastoral Council
January 17, 2017
JPII Conference Room
6:30 pm Adoration in Church, 7:00 pm Meeting

A. Welcome

Roll Call

Present: Msgr. Kosse, Jamie Fenicle, Michael Powers, Gen Lustfield, Jim Hulm, Nancy Siebenahler, Tim Darveaux, Karen Dobbs, Mike Appel, Deb Brockberg, Miquel Acevedo, Miriam Johnson, Stella Lingen, Rosann Fenicle

Absent: Chrissy DeBates, Gracie Casa, Rochelle Remund, Lonnie Swenson

Opening Prayer by Msgr. Kosse

Minutes of the previous meeting approved by acclamation

B. Business

Pastoral Planning Vision 2016

St. Martin voted to accept an offer from New Life Treatment Center to purchase the church, rectory, and land for 50,000. New Life will use the house as a woman's center and the church as a chapel and meeting rooms. St. Martin has sent a letter to the Bishop and is waiting to hear back. Jim Hulm inquired why there was no appraisal and Fr said because there is no lawsuit against St. Martin we really didn't need to have written value of the property.

St. Geneva in Lake Benton may be interested in some of the statues at St. Martin. The Stations of the Cross and other sacred items will be taken out before the sale is final. A note will be written in the sale that the windows should be taken care of and kept with the chapel.

Tim D moved to sell St. Martin to New Life Treatment Center. Mike Appel 2nd the motion. A roll Call vote was taken. Jamie: Yes Michael: Yes Gen: Yes Jim: Yes Nancy: Yes Tim: Yes Karen: Yes Mike: Yes Deb: Yes Chrissy: Absent Gracie: Absent Rochelle: Absent. Motion passed 9 to 0.

St. Joseph will be holding their final mass on Sunday March 12 at 10 am. Jim Hulm made a motion to change mass times and faith formation. Mike Appel 2nd. All voted in favor. Motion passed. Mass times will switch for St. Leo and St. Joseph and Faith Formation will be cancelled for that weekend. Nancy S was concerned about some of the items at St. Joseph. Msgr. Kosse reported that the center and the parish will be sold to the City of Jasper. Sacred objects will be decided by the council and the cross will go in storage for now. Nancy felt that some items that may have been donated by families of the church so either go back to those families or at least give them the choice as to where they go. Msgr would like at least one or two items from the church once they close to keep at St. Leo.

Financial letters will be going out to all parishes for 2016. In the letter there will be information about the closings and selling of St. Joseph and St. Martin. St. Leo will also include changes for 2017 including that all expenses will not be coming out of St. Leo fund.

Discussion continues on how to welcome the parishioners from St. Joseph and St. Martin. Miquel brought up possibly changing the names of two of our meeting rooms to the St. Joseph Room and the St. Martin Room. All agreed that was a great idea.

Cross at St. Leo

Theresa Stangle and Carissa Fruechte were at the meeting to give an update on the new cross at St. Leo. Jim Hulm and Tim Darveaux were concerned about spending money on a cross when there are other expenses that need to be taken care of at St. Leo. Carissa indicated that the Fruechte family would like to gift the cross to the church.

Theresa and Carissa had met with a designer and have 4 pictures for us to look at and discuss. The council suggested possible changes to the design and Carissa will meet with the designer again and get updated pictures. Will discuss at March meeting.

Stewardship Committee

Dan and Linda Delaney, Mike and Nancy Stiles, and Brad and Sandy Karels have agreed to become the Stewardship Committee. More info to follow.

• Faith Formation Program Report

Youth

- Youth Ministry
 - Book Study “Thirteen Reasons Why” is going well.
 - InterMission coming up on February 26th in Adrian.
 - Steubenville Rochester in July planning has begun. There are 20+ youth interested in attending.
 - We had a Grade 3-5 Reconciliation Retreat and the Communal Penance Service November 30th at St. Leo. All went well.
 - Christmas Caroling went well with about 70 youth in grades 6-12 attending.
 - Christmas Programs at St. Joseph and St. Leo went well.
 - Grade 2 Peace & Forgiveness Day was January 7th. Fourteen from our Tri-Parish received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time.
 - Grades 6 & 7 are having a Spouperbowl for Caring Contest to see which class can collect the most money for our local food shelf on Super Bowl Weekend, February 5-6.
 - Fundraising
 - Our annual Sweetheart Dinner is February 12th.
 - Shadow Stations will be performed by our 9th grade youth on March 22nd, an opening to the Communal Penance Service.
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Miriam would also like to put on a fundraiser for the Luis Perez family. Nancy, Jamie, Miquel, and Gen volunteered to help with the fundraiser. More info to follow.

Noah's Ark Preschool Report

Applications are being accepted for 2017-18 school year. Fundraiser at Pizza Ranch on Feb 22nd.

Spanish Ministry

Miquel shared with us that more and more Hispanic families are moving in and he continues to reach out to families in the Flandreau area.

Miquel also shared that he would like to do some kind of fundraiser for churches in India. He indicated there are many families in need in that area and he is planning on doing a Pizza Ranch fundraiser to help them. Lady of Guadalupe celebration continues to get bigger. This year they were able to get 30 dozen roses from Coborns to help the celebration.

Lawsuit Update

Nothing new to report on the lawsuits. It could take 2-3 years. Because of the lawsuit when St. Joseph closes they will not be able to dissolve their corporation and will not be merged with St. Leo.

C. Financial Reports from the three Parish Finance Councils

St. Joseph: Stella reported that St. Joseph is financially stable but the balance is going down. Once St. Joseph closes they will meet 2 times a year.

St. Martin: Rosann reported that St. Martin's finances keep going backward. Need to do what we can until St. Martin closes this summer.

Next Meeting date is Tues March 21, 2017. Adoration at 6:30 pm with meeting to follow at 7:00pm.