

Pastoral Meeting

11/08/2018

Opening Prayer

Guest: Officer Sam Mitchell

Members Present:

Fr. Joseph; Deacon Frank; Virginia Haas; Denise Campbell; Stan Bienia; Renee Hill; Cathy Fichtel; Scott Crawford; Eileen Vara, Gary & June Robinson, Brian & Nicola Schultz; Luz Garcia; and Doug Bracken.

Officer Mitchell-spoke of release of clergy name as who have credibly accused of abuse which may result in safety concerns in Catholic Churches. Active shooter- no intent of exit. Main objective to kill as many as possible. He talked about considering hiring security which is costly. Each officer cost \$50 @ hour with 4 hour minimum. Instructed us that times have changed and mindset is to be "No place is safe".

If active shooter situation presents itself we need to turn fear into anger...run, hide or fight. We need to be aware of those anxious to join church in any capacity. Be mindful of behavior, such as odd question, etc. Pay attention to your environment and know what is normal and what is not.

Deacon asked- Do you recommend someone carrying a gun. He answered that they would have to be professionally trained, like a policeman. KC members presently sort of monitor at Masses they attend. Any team set up to address whether police and church members know each other in case a situation present itself. Preliminary action-be proactive, lock doors, use safe practices.

Fr. Joseph asked if any corrections needed on the report of each ministry-non registered.

Old Business:

1. Fr. Joseph advised he has not yet been able to add Boy Scouts & and other **new ministries** to the website due to current lack of proficiency.
2. Fr. Joseph advised us that date of **Ethnic Fest** change to April 27th.
3. Results of **Ministry Fair**-Youth (1), Deacon Frank (1) Altar Server, Renee CDA (7) and Stan EMS (7).
4. **Ethnic Fest** hours 11:00 to 3:00 and 6:00 to 9:00. Beer Garden open with music and socializing.

New Business:

Liturgy- Advent Penance Service Dec. 17th a 6:00pm followed by Christmas Play produced by Nelly Henry. Assistance needed, sent letter out.

Altar and Rosary- Denise Campbell requires scaffold to clean ceiling fans before Dec. 15th set up of manger scene.

Parish Donation of \$5000 for church and \$5000 for parishioners, each receiving \$200. Deacon has 4 for list. Office reviewing parishioners that requested assistance as will. Also, mentioned by Fr. possibly choosing families with more than 4 or 5 children.

Knights of Columbus at Timon's providing food for fundraiser tonight.

Timons Christmas Meal- Deacon proposing a holiday meal for Timon's when Timons is not open during the holidays. Fr. Joseph asked before or after Christmas before New Year. Doug pointed out to talk to John and Timons to work the logistics. Eileen added that CDA in the past has fed 100 people.

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner will be held Jan 12th. It will be catered; date changed to provide better opportunity for all volunteers to attend.

Parish Hall- recommendation made to set standards of use.

Lenten Mission-Eileen Vara advised of plan to involve parish members and include a video focusing on Brokenness in all of us...Grace and Divine Mercy...Confession, good and bad way to handle making confession, so to make it more positive. Doug added aloneness.

Eileen reminded everyone and invited all to attend **Adult Day Retreat** scheduled for Sat, Nov. 10th. No registration needed.

Fall Fest 2018- \$7884.25 final tabulation.

Fr. Joseph handed out letters for donations, showed **Ethnic Fest Raffle** proof for review for Ethnic Fest 2019. Also, inquired when ticket sales should begin-December.

Luz-she had been approached by elderly requesting the **bench** be replaced outside by sacristy window. They reported they rest there on way into church from parking lot. It was mentioned that someone has already completed **two benches** for that purpose.

Cathy Fichtel reported that monies raised from spaghetti dinner for **Inspiration San Antonio** was good although they still lack \$300 for the bus. Doug said KCs will cover that amount...they always do.

Closing Prayer