

St. Marys, Ackley
Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
St. Marks, Iowa Falls
November 2, 2020

Present: Duane Sudtelgte, Jeff Frazier, Doug Lindaman, Dave Keninger

Also present: Father Kevin Earleywine, Mary Quinlin

Linkage Wide portion- minutes will be sent by Mary Quinlin

Following the large group linkage-wide portion of the meeting, Chair Duane Sudtelgte called the St. Mary Pastoral Council meeting to order.

Minutes from the August 3, 2020 Zoom meeting were distributed.

Finance Council – Presented a report for the first quarter of FY 20-21, showing expenses and revenue were about even for the quarter and we had income from the annual distribution from the CFAD (Catholic Foundation Archdiocese of Dubuque) investment.

Safety deposit box at GNB – The Pastoral Council was informed that having a safety deposit box costs \$35 per year. The key has been lost and it will cost an estimated \$250 when we cancel the box for the bank to drill out the old lock. Since the church now has a fireproof safe and no need for a safety deposit box, Dave motioned to close the safety deposit box, Doug seconded, and motion carried.

Steeple repair - Duane shared a bid from Krause Konstruction Company to repair the facia and replace soffit panels to stop the leaks and make the steeple last, in the amount of \$10,500. Dave moved to accept the bid, allowing another 24 hours for a competitive bid to come in from Fred Jackson Company. Jeff seconded, and the motion carried. Duane will tell Krause hopefully the repairs will be completed this winter. Funds from a gift from the Ed Keninger estate will pay for the repairs.

Exterior work - Duane is working with Steve Scallon, Mike Bonewitz, and other volunteers to remove a tree / bush stump, fix a gutter, and grade and landscape around the drain just south east of the hall to avoid water and ice buildup on the sidewalk. That is being done this Wednesday afternoon.

Turkey Supper- A preliminary report was given by Duane sharing that 422 meals were served, ticket sales and donations totaled \$4988 and expenses were \$1745 plus advertising. The kitchen worked well and the volunteers had a good day.

Christmas Eve Mass – will be at 6:30 PM and we need to make arrangements in case of overflow seating considering social distancing, including video streaming in the hall, arranging seating and decorating. Most of us Pastoral Council members would be available to help with that, but the council is asking Father Kevin to designate someone to be in charge of this, likely liturgy committee.

Bookkeeping – After many years of faithful service, Brent and Sue Harrenstein have resigned from the secretary / bookkeeper position. Considering the immediate needs of the church, Doug motioned to appoint Barb Keninger as interim secretary / bookkeeper a part time position, with her duties and performance to be reviewed by the May, 2021 Pastoral Council meeting. Jeff seconded the motion and Dave abstained, and the motion carried.

Next Meetings – February 1, 2021; and May 3, 2021.

Meeting adjourned

Submitted by Jeff Frazier, secretary