

St. Anne/St .Charles Parish Council Meeting

October 28, 2015

Opening Prayer: The opening prayer was given by Bob Austin

Commission Reports:

School report: Cathy Grinn was not present, no report was given

Religious Education: This report was given by Gina Baker. Our Catechist Formation classes held on October 3 at Saint Anne's had good participation and many compliments were given regarding the facilities.

Our Vicariate Wide Mass with Bishop Reiss was also successful, with the offertory collection being given to the Priests' Retirement Fund.

This year, our Saint Charles Religious Education students will lead the November 2, All Souls, Mass at 6 pm as participants, readers and cantors.

On November 12, Saint Anne will be the host site for a Protecting God's Children Workshop. Registration must be done online from a link on the AOD's website. The class has almost 100 people enrolled.

On November 16 and November 17, Confirmation meetings will be held at each parish for parents and 8th grade students. There are 31 total students between the two parishes.

Saint Charles will be having a First Communion Meeting at St. Charles on November 30, 2015 and St. Anne on December 1, 2015.

The annual Saint Anne Holiday Program will be held December 22. We are hoping that the Ladies Club will support us again with treats? (54) Students.

On October 17, there was a pet blessing.

On October 25 there was a Saint Anne /Saint Charles Trunk or Treat at St. Charles.

November 4 on Wednesday at 8:30 am Mass Feast of Saint Charles, there is an official invite for the parish council to assist at Mass.

Christian Services: This report was given by Carol Shaw. She talked about a Halloween party and 60 to 70 people came. Saint Anne will be having an Advent Tea will be on November 15, 2015. There will also be a Christmas Bazaar in December.

Christian Services: This report was given by Sue Miller. She discussed The Oaks of Righteousness Shelter in Monroe for the homeless. The organization shelters 30-40 a night. She stated that they are in need of items which can be donated at the church on the week end of November 15th.

There will also be an Advent Tea on Sunday November 22 at Saint Charles.

Evangelization: This report was given by Lora Smith of St. Anne. She stated that there will be Pentecost Cards placed in the Lenten Bulletin.

There will also be a "Healing Mass "given by Father John Esper. Fr John Chinnappa stated that this will be given during the Lenten season.

Return Home Catholics was also discussed. There will be an invitation to return placed in the church Bulletin during the Christmas season.

Evangelization: This report was given by Karen Smith of Saint Charles. She discussed the Evangelization and Catechizes Committee budget. She also asked that we sponsor a teen to learn leadership.

There will also be three parishes that will be doing the Divine Mercy Sunday .They are Saint Michaels, Saint Mary Rockwood, and Saint Anthony.

Ecumenical Prayer Celebration will be on January 18, Martin Luther King Day, and will cost about \$700 for advertisement, music and fellowship.

She also discussed a parish survey about what people are interested in.

She also asked to purchase 500 copies of Rediscover Jesus book which will cost about \$750.

Worship: This report was given by Fr. John on planning the holiday season. We are trying to get Fr. Joe Plawecki to help out.

He also stated that there is training and renewal of the Eucharistic Ministers.

Finance: This report was given by Pete Lorentz from St Anne. There was a new roof placed on Saint Anne, and was placed on under budget.

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Vicariate Report: This report was given by Nick Craanen. He discussed *Come Encounter Christ* to be given as a precursor to the synod. There is a website on the Archdiocese that will show all dates and times.

There will be three applicants from each parish that will be going to the Synod.

Building Committee: Bob Austin reported on the meeting. The plans are back from Morton on designs of the building. We are waiting for the estimates to come back, so that we can take them to the Board of

Consulters in December. We are starting the permit process from the Township. Plans also need to be submitted to the State for approval.

Approval of the Minutes: Minutes were approved with revisions.

Business: Colin Bondy will not be attending due to his work schedule.

There will be a council vacancy from Saint Anne that will need to be filled.

Google calendar update, Sue, Margaret, and Chad can see each other on the calendar .The calendar will be up and running in the next 10 days.

Athletic Club wants temporary space in the old garage. They need to store lawn mower, water cannon, sports equipment, and refrigerator. They also want a small space in the pole barn. The Athletic Club will discuss this. There is a need to have person in charge of the pole barn. Father John feels that Steve should be in charge of what goes in the pole barn.

Parish Goals: This was discussed by Bob Austin. Some of these goals are already being looked at and revised by Fr. John. Father John is trying to work to unify the parish bulletin.

Next time it would be nice if we could see how we can form the goals into committees.

Deacon Mike stated that it would be nice to have forms available at the church. These forms would guide people on what they needed to do in order to get started on receiving the sacraments' and a variety of other things.

David Grenn stated that he would like our homework to be a *random act of kindness* to others.

He will be giving the opening prayer at the next meeting.

Our next meeting is on November 24, 2015 at St Charles.

Closing Prayer was given by Fr. John