HOLY CROSS PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, February 8, 2024

Holy Cross Parish Statement of Mission: Having been gifted with the life of the Lord, we the Parish Family of Holy Cross also accept our mission from Him. Our Mission is TO PRAISE THE FATHER, proclaim His word, and instruct the coming generation. TO ENCOUNTER THE SON in the sacraments and walk in the way of faith, hope, and love; TO LIVE IN THE SPIRIT, welcome each other, share our faith and blessings, bring our sacrifices, and be strengthened in the Father's service.

- Members present: Fr. Steven, Cindy Blank, Sharon Edwards, Sheryl Klingler, Tony Kuenstler, Tonya Hall,
 Kelly Geier, Holly Nettleton, Dusty Smithenry, Pam Blank, Kevin Blank, Sherry Geier
- Welcome new members Holly Nettleton and Dusty Smithenry
- Naming of Concerns by Parishioners/Guest Present- Bill Weber, Tyler Timm, and Greg Sandschafer shared information about men's group and their desire to bring people back to the Catholic Church. Fr. Steven offered them ideas of some already developed programs to research in their efforts going forward. This will be an ongoing conversation.
- Financial Review-Numbers are approximate.
 - o General-\$65,000, Cemetery-\$43,000, Building-\$219,000, Picnic-\$40,000, CYM-\$29,000, Mass-\$4,000, Charity-\$9500, Ladies-\$4600, Church Fire and Improvement-included in Building Acct.
 - Holy Cross Envelope Collections in 2021 totaled \$125,705.45; in 2022 \$144,840.01; and 2023 \$188,529.50.

Building and Grounds

- Will finish cleaning out garage and sell anything of value after Tyler and CYM take any items they can repurpose in basement.
- Church restoration-update-final paint colors are going up on the walls in parts of the church, still more plaster work above the choir loft. Fundraising-going well, plan to organize an inperson fundraising in the future, \$100,000+ collected to date.
- Cemetery-new committee will meet soon

St. Joseph School Support

- Update from Tammy Rudolphi-Josy Hart will take over principal duties new school year.
- Holly Nettleton will replace Tammy as the Holy Cross school board representative after the end of this school year.

Church Ministries

- Pastoral Associate & CRE-Caroline & Ashley-Family Catechesis-Caroline sent a report for review.
 Note that both the Holy Cross Facebook account and Flocknote account will be handled as one Tri-Parish system to reduce the time necessary to post each week. Tonya Hall has offered to continue posting items specific to Holy Cross via the Facebook pages connected to the Ladies Sodality and the one started for the 150th celebration.
- Family Life-Cindy, Tammy-Euchre tournament was well attended even though the weather was cold for the first weekend. Cookies will be gifted the weekend of the 17th/18th.
- Youth-Tyler-nothing new to report
- Men's Group-seeking ways to increase membership/bring people back to church

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Other

- Parishioners would like to meet/get to know Tyler Timm. Tammy will push forward some ideas discussed.
- Thank you to Chris Waller, Heather Blank, Gregg Weber, and Sheryl Klingler for their years of service to the council. Other members will be rotated off the council in the coming months, if you have an interest in serving your parish in this way, please contact an existing member to ask questions and make your willingness known.

Pastor Report – (Fr. <u>Steven</u>)

- The National Eucharistic Congress will hold a Eucharistic Revival July 17-21, 2024 at Lucas Stadium in Indianapolis, Indiana.
- On the first Wednesday of each month, mass will be held at Carle Richland Memorial Hospital on the 3rd floor. All are encouraged to attend.
- Next Meeting-Thursday, April 4 after Thursday evening mass (6:30p.m.)