

Holy Cross Catholic Church - Wendelin
Rebuild Committee Meeting
June 28, 2023

Meeting began at 7:00 PM

Present: Kelly & Sherry Geier, Pam Blank, Sharon Edwards, Mike & Rhonda Kuenstler, Travis Weber and Brad & Cathy Rudolphi. Absent: Cindy Blank, Fr. Stephen Beatty (after July 1st)

Worklist

Brad Rudolphi put together an initial worklist (see attached) as an agenda to review and get everyone up to speed.

Interior Designers

Sherry Geier has been in contact with three design companies to help give us ideas about how our church could look after the renovation.

- *Autenrieb Church Painting* - Edwardsville, IL (recommended by our insurance company) They have already visited our church on Friday, June 23rd. They are currently 1 ½ to 2 years out.
- *Conrad Schmitt Studios* - New Berlin, WI (recommended by our insurance company) They plan to visit on Thursday, July 6th at 10:00 AM.
- *Browning Day* - Indianapolis, IN (recommended by Diocese of Belleville) A date has not been set for their visit.

Pews

The pews have been cleaned and are at the Servpro warehouse. Some pews are severely damaged. The insurance is covering this expense of the pews being cleaned.

The next step and extra expense is to have the pews stripped down, sanded and refinished. Sherry Geier has reached out to *Wood Renovators* - Waupaca, WI (recommended by Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Effingham). This extra expense has been pre-approved by our Holy Cross Finance Council.

Pipe Organ

- *Wicks Organ Company* - Highland, IL estimated \$189,000 to replace with a new pipe organ.
- *Wicks Organ Company* has offered a used pipe organ that is approximately 20 years old and much bigger and heavier than original for \$86,000. Will need to check into whether or not the new choir loft structure would be able to support the weight of this used pipe organ.
- Rhonda & Mike Kuenstler visited a church in St. Louis that offered a free organ but there will be expenses for organ disassembly, transportation from St. Louis to Wendelin, and installation.
- Electric organ is an option to consider.

There will be a meeting scheduled for Thursday, June 29th at 6:00PM in Wendelin to discuss these organ options further.

Financial Review

Savannah Leneer has been asked to prepare the building fund totals.

Servpro has submitted their first invoice for \$500,000.

It is important to reach out to our families, friends, and neighbors to gather input throughout this entire process.

The next meeting will be set once Fr. Stephen Beatty has had the opportunity to review.

This meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.