

St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish Council Minutes

At 7:00 p.m. Tuesday September 22nd, 2020 the Parish Council Meeting was called to order by Trustee Gordie Schmitt at St. Maximilian Kolbe Church.

Council Members Present: Father Nusi, Scott Wallenfang, Gordie Schmitt, Jim DeGreef, Jim Prochaska, Theresa Wrolstad, Barb Kleczka and Ann Lopata. Absent: Michelle Bukowiec

Guests present: Ken Kleczka, Jean Pautz, Mardell Wirtz, Kathy Monette and Karen Ronsman.

Gordie asked everyone if they read the minutes of the last meeting. A motion was made by Jim DeGreef and seconded by Barb Kleczka to accept the Minutes of the July 23rd Council meeting. The motion was passed.

Father Nusi opened the meeting with a prayer. Father provided an update on the September 10th Webinar. Bishop Ricken lifted the dispensation for Saturday and Sunday Mass obligations beginning the weekend of September 19th and 20th. All Catholics will once again gather as a community on Saturdays and Sundays in their church. There are some occasions that the obligation to attend Mass does not apply, like a parishioner having any health concerns or they are physically unable to attend Mass, they are frail due to an illness or are elderly, or been in contact with someone who has been sick.

Father is looking for additional readers, ushers and Mass servers. If someone is interested in helping Father out please get in touch with him at the rectory or before or after Mass.

Father suggested we look for a safe for the rectory. He would like the rectory's safe to be put in the Sacristy, Then the collection money after each mass could be put in the safe.

Father will have a 9-day Novena from October 25th through November 2nd, All Soul's Day. November 2nd Mass at St. Maximilian will be at 6:30 p.m.

We need to set a date for Advent Reconciliation and include the Faith Formation children. Father will reach out to Michelle to see what might work for a date. We could set up a sign-up sheet in the entrance of church for people to sign up if they want to attend Reconciliation.

Theresa Wrolstad was asked by Father Nusi to be the Chair-person and Barb Kleczka was asked to be the Secretary. Theresa and Barb both accepted the positions.

Jim DeGreef and Karen Ronsman will coordinate the Packer Football raffle. The church has to raffle it off this year. The Council decided NO BINGO this year since were unable to have a real Picnic in August.

Starting in November of 2020 to September of 2021 we will have a one page, two-sided black and white bulletin. In September of 2021 we will consolidate with Holy Trinity's Parish Bulletin and the cost will be shared by St. Maximilian and Holy Trinity for the printing of the bulletin. Theresa made a motion to accept the consolidation of St. Maximilian Kolbe and Holy Trinity next September for the printing of the bulletin to save money, Jim DeGreef seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Father proposed that we order the new Reconciliation Books for the 2nd grade Faith Formation Program. We need 13 books of the Study Guide and 13 of the Activity Books. Father will sign the check on Tuesday September 29th for \$317.04. Barb Kleczka told the Council that an anonymous donor paid for all of the books. Father and the Council thanked that person.

The topic of renting out the Rectory after Father Greg was discussed. Scott and Gordie are going to meet with someone at the Diocese to discuss what to do with the Rectory. Kathy's office is in the rectory, the safe is in the office and a lot of the church supplies are in the basement, upstairs and the garage. Renting out the Rectory to a retired Priest was discussed. Renting a storage unit to put all the extra supplies in was discussed, that too would cost us money. The discussion was tabled till the next Council meeting.

There are many keys missing for the rectory and church. Kathy will put something in the bulletin about who might have one of the keys. Hopefully Kathy will have luck in locating the lost keys. Mike Dercks requested a keys to the church for Shawn Weslow because he isn't always available when the church has a problem, like heating or air-conditioning goes out, water pipe leaks etc.

Financial Report

Scott Wallenfang explained in detail the financial report for 2019 and to the present date. Scott also explained the 2020-2021 budget. See attached sheets. A motion was made to accept the financial report by Jim DeGreef and seconded by Barb Kleczka. Motion passes.

The new payroll system was explained by Kathy Monette. We will be using the same payroll system that Holy Trinity uses in Oconto.

Building and Grounds

Jim DeGreef read Mike Dercks report about the storm sewer/catch basin repair that Jackie Foster Construction completed. Now we have to wait for the Little Suamico Town Chairman Elmer Ragen to get in touch with the County to blacktop the area around the storm sewer. When the invoice for the catch basin arrives at the rectory the copy should be sent to the Town office in care of Elmer. The Township will pay half.

TV has been hung downstairs and Advantage Electric will run power for an outlet on September 9th. Exterior of window sills are in need of caulking and should be installed before the plaster repair work is completed. Plaster repair in the east vestibule will not be completed until we are sure this is no water penetration occurring. The overhead garage doors by the rectory need to be replaced. The damaged door jambs should be replaced when the 3 doors are replaced. Jim got a quote of \$2700.00 for two (2) doors, 2" thick and \$2600.00 for three (3) doors and one opener. The doors are on back order for 5 weeks. The doors were ordered from Badger State Overhead Doors, LLC.

Religious Education

Kathy read Michelle's report on the Religious Ed program. A survey was sent out to all the Faith Formation families concerning the program. 80% of the families returned the survey. The majority opted for in-person classes. 29 students in-person, 7 blended and 11 virtual classes totaling 47 children. There will be a Mass on September 30th for all students and their families. Classes will officially start on October 7th, 2020.

Society of Mary Immaculate

Jean Pautz reported they haven't had a meeting since the December Christmas Party. The Spaghetti Dinner was cancelled due to the COVID-19 virus. The Society plans on doing the Campaign to Lick Violence on October 10th and 11th and the 17th and 18th.

A reminder of the Annual Meeting on Saturday September 26th, at 6:45 p.m. after the 5:45 p.m. Mass.

Our next Council Meeting will be November 19th, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. It will be a combined MeetMe meeting with Holy Trinity at St. Max in Sobieski, WI.

Theresa made a motion to close the Council Meeting, Jim DeGreef seconded the motion. Motion was passed.