

SUMMARY – ST. PATRICK’S PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – January 17, 2016

OPENING: St. Patrick’s Parish Council met at 10:15 a.m. on the above date with Fr. Tim and 8 Council members present. Riley Stack, newly appointed director of Newman House was introduced. The minutes of the December 6, 2015 meeting were approved by consensus.

CONTINUING BUSINESS

- A. Security cameras for the office – The equipment is here to be installed. There are two cameras with a recorder. The system will allow for an additional two cameras to be added.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

- A. Religious Education – Jennifer Sorenson – Classes are going well. The Totus Tuus program will be used this summer in place of the regular vacation Bible school. Confirmation retreat will be held May 1, 2016
- B. Liturgy Committee – Linda Yeradi – No meeting is scheduled.
- C. Hospitality/Welcoming Committee – Linda Drinkwalter and Tammy Calamari – no report. The parish office will be asked to supply a list of new parishioners and the welcoming group will contact them with parish information.
- D. Building and Grounds – Bryan Enos and Dwight Rasmussen –
 - 1. Front doors of the Parish Center – installed.
 - 2. Meeting scheduled for January 19, 2016.
- E. Newman House – Betty Reading – The 2nd semester began with Mass on Jan. 13. The death of Colby Thomazin was acknowledged and a memorial Mass will be said for him in February. A scholarship fund will be established as a memorial to the work he did at Newman.
- F. Financial Statements – Jim Gardner – All statements were reviewed and approved by consensus. An annual report is expected to be ready for distribution to the Parish within the next couple of months.
- G. Evangelization Committee – Fr. Tim – The group meets each Thursday. An Ecumenical service is planned for February 28.
- H. Hospital/Prairie Pines/Crestview – Betty Reading – Ministers continue to make Sunday visits to Catholic residents. In addition Mass is held at Prairie Pines on the 1st and 3rd Fridays each month and at Crestview on the 4th Friday.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Policy Review – Final revisions of the policies will be brought to the February meeting.
- B. HVAC at the rectory – The A/C at the rectory failed last summer and the motor on the heating unit needed to be replaced. A complete new HVAC system will be installed this summer.
- C. Time and Talent – There was a request for more training for lectors and Eucharistic Ministers.
- D. Visit from Bishop Hanefeldt – The Bishop will be at St. Patrick’s on the evening of February 3 for a “listening session.” A number of area parishes will have representatives present to discuss parish issues, needs and future.

The meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m. Next meeting – February 21, 2016.

Betty Reading
Secretary