

Tri Parish Council Meeting
September 15, 2015; 7pm at Holy Redeemer, Eyota
Minutes

1. Call to Order: Fr Kurt started meeting with a prayer.
2. Roll Call:
 - a. St. Charles: Marilyn McGuire, Diane LeClair, David Kramer, Charlie Meyer,
 - b. St. Aloysius: Cathy Schleck, Sue Mathison & Bernie Siebenaler
 - c. Holy Redeemer: Mary Matzke, Rita Kullot, Keith Troke, Mike Walsh, Jim Hobbs, Jim Klavetter
 - d. Staff: Fr. Kurt Farrell, Becky Storey Hunder
3. Old Business
 - a. Fall Festivals:
 - i. St. Aloysius Sept 13: Cathy, Bernie & Fr Kurt all reported that it was wonderful day. Weather was perfect for the Cemetery Mass and the dedication went very well. Bishop Harrington was there to do the dedication and stayed for festivities after. There was a nice article in the Post Bulletin and a good turn out for people. They were estimating 225 having been served at the dinner. No Figures were available to share.
 - ii. Holy Redeemer Sept 20: Everyone is getting ready, silent auction baskets are still coming in and preparations are being made for the dinner. Rita invited everyone to come and attend this Sunday. Fr Kurt took a moment to thank Jim Hobbs for all his time spent overseeing the street project around Holy Redeemer. Jim caught a couple of mistakes made by the crew that would have really messed things up later in the project. Most of the cement work will be ready for the festival on Sunday.
 - b. Vision 2016: Fr Kurt reported on the meeting held on September 8. The plan that the Tri Parish Council had agreed and voted on had been submitted to Fr Colletti (Vicar General). The plan did not stay within the parameters set by the Diocese and an email from Fr Colletti was read to the group stating that it was not a viable plan. The leaders of the meeting pretty much let the group know that St. Aloysius was going into Oratory status. Deb Heim (St. Aloysius) resigned from the Vision 2016 planning committee. Fr Kurt was glad that the Tri Parish council had submitted the plan, because it showed unity and even though the consequences for him were not good, it gave the leadership team more direction and more information on where the Tri Parishes needed to go. He also noted that he does not want to close St. Aloysius, he wants to use it and provide special masses, retreats and whatever else we can to help keep it open as an oratory. Sue Mathison expressed a concern about some people not understanding what "Oratory" means. After discussion it was decided that it would be good for Fr Kurt to explain to people a little bit more about what that means, at Mass. They thought it would be good to try and educate people a bit more so they have a better feel for what is to come. Becky noted that Deb Heim had emailed and had suggested a replacement for her on the Vision 2016 committee. After discussion it was decided that it would be best to stay with the 2 people currently on the committee and not add a new member.
 - c. Picture Directory: Becky reported that all of the group photos had been taken and now she is trying to get them all put together and sent in. Hoping to have it done soon, one advantage to being behind was that she has a couple good pictures from the Dedication at St. Aloysius that she will be able to add and plans on taking a few at Holy Redeemer festival to add to their directory.

4. New Business:

- a. Christmas Mass Schedule: Becky started by reporting that Deb Heim had suggested that if St. Aloysius was going to have a substitute for their Christmas Eve Mass that maybe it would be good to have it earlier. Council members from St. Aloysius thought that a change in time would maybe throw people off and that 8 is a good time for families who have dinner first and then come to Mass. Fr Kurt also noted that he would like to do all of the Masses this year, but would like to make the 11pm SC Mass a Bilingual Mass and eliminate the 11:30 am Christmas Day Hisp. Mass. A Motion was made by Sue Mathison and a 2nd was made by Charlie Meyer to the following Christmas Mass Schedule:

- i. Dec. 24: 4pm SC; 6pm HR; 8pm SA; 11pm SC Bilingual
- ii. Dec. 25: 8am HR; 10am SC

Motion Passed Unanimously

- b. Finance Report: The TP Finance Councils will be meeting on September 22.
 - i. Diocesan Appeal numbers were updated to the group. To make their goals each church needs to raise the following: SC \$12215; SA \$3590; HR 6190 One of the things the Finance Council will be talking about is how to solicit money for the Appeal. They have already planned an in pew collection for the weekend of September 26/27. We will be showing the video made by the Diocese at all of the Masses. Council members noted that this might not be a good time to do this at St. Aloysius and asks that the Finance Council consider it.
 - ii. Fr Kurt reported that LuAnn Ellringer had submitted her resignation and that Holy Redeemer has hired Rod Kollman to take her place. Rod currently does the books for St. Charles and St. Aloysius.
- c. Building and Grounds Reports:
 - i. St. Aloysius: No Report
 - ii. Holy Redeemer: Jim Hobbs submitted a report, see notes from this meeting
 - iii. St. Charles: Charlie Meyer noted that the mole that has been causing trouble all summer, we think, is dead. 😊 Thank You Charlie.
- d. Faith Formation Report: Becky read report submitted by Nichole Paladie. Please see notes from this meeting.
- e. Pastors Report: Fr Kurt said to the group that he knows that it is a tough time right now, but he wants everyone to know that he is happy to be in our cluster, that he is committed and that he loves all the people in the Tri Parishes. Several Council members thanked him.

5. Round Table: Becky asked the council members if there was anything they wanted to share or bring up for a vote:

- a. St. Charles: Marilyn McGuire reported that Spiritual Adoption would be starting up again during Faith Formation in the next couple of weeks and she invited all the adults to participate. She will be submitting a bulletin announcement for information, so look in next weeks bulletin.
- b. St. Aloysius: No Report
- c. Holy Redeemer: 6th Grade currently is doing a Winter Coat Drive and they have boxes in the Narthex for anyone who would like to donate. Coats will go to the homeless. Keith Troke thanked Mary Matzke for leading the rosary every Wednesday with the youth.

6. Next Meeting: Becky noted that the next meeting is November 17 at St. Aloysius; 6:30 prayer and 7:00pm meeting.

7. Motion to adjourn Charlie Meyer ; 2nd by Jim Klavetter, motion passed.

8. Council closed with prayer 7:55pm