St, John's Parish Council Meeting Minutes March 8, 2022

Opening Prayer: (Allen)

Members present: Fr. Craig Steimel, Darlene Ohlen, Dave Breja, Dawn Tiedemann, Allen Lueckenotto

Members absent: Gene DeNeve, Joel Thys

Secretary Report: Minutes approved

Finance Report: latest one is February, Treasurer's report approved

Old Business:

- -Homemade meal for Gene DeNeve at his home was well received, there is a FaceBook page (Meal Train) organized for Gene, if anyone wants to do another meal they can check this link
- -Christmas Decorations See Dawn's notes for details
- -Coffee and rolls after mass and short presentation on Confirmation by Jeremy Kulbartz. Dawn provided a "thank you" note and it was signed by the Council

New Business:

-Proposed date for the SJ 75th anniversary is October 2nd, 2022, requested 10:00 am mass time and Fr. Stated that would be fine. Need to confirm the date with the rest of the cluster activities before final agreement.

Buildings & grounds:

- -Thanks to Joel Thys for having the snow removed for masses so far this winter.
- -Joel mentioned the uneven sidewalks and offered to help with removal if we decide to replace the concrete. We should consider lifting the sunken areas if in decent shape.
- -Dawn proposed to do a walk thru of the rectory, at least once a year, to look for things that might need to be repaired.
- -Plans for outside flowers for the summer Dawn proposed to get artificial flowers
- -Vacuum cleaner operational status?? Propose to get rid of 4 old vacuums and Dawn would donate an Oreck
- -Light switch upgrade? (inside church entrance) postpone for now
- -Need to update note for hot water shut-off hanging in the kitchen as it no longer applies

Education:

-Plan for graduation – senior mass: Isaac Lueckenotto, Kaitlyn Kulbartz, Caitlin Atwood; a weekend of May 1, 8, 15, 29 (Ascension) needs to be determined for SJ; Dawn will contact senior parents and determine the date

Social Concerns:

-Nothing to report

Parish Life:

-We have started planning of the 75th anniversary. We will share ideas at the next council meeting.

Video history of the parish, put together a SJ cookbook, have a mass with meal following, invite all the priests that have served at SJ, plant/dedicate tree(s). Consider using a FaceBook page to communicate plans. Consider asking for funds to offset the costs of the celebration.

Consider writing a letter & signing it from the committee to ask for videos, pictures, recipes, volunteers, history memorabilia, donations, etc...

- -Easter Flowers Lilies ordered by Barb M. and Bonnie L., see if Barb has ordered flowers already. Since we don't have Easter mass or the weekend after, then no need for Easter Lilies we could just do spring flowers.
- -Dawn also passed around a "Get Well" card for Gene DeNeve, which was signed by those present.

Comments: Hopefully everyone turned in their survey. The Holy Father challenged the diocese to listen to parishioners to see what their needs are. The Archdiocese is going through the data from the survey to see what the data says. Looking for parish vitality. The Priests also had a separate survey to fill out.

-Parish council elections are going to be held on 2nd Sunday of May. Need names by the end of April for Dave and Tom who are leaving the council

Next meeting: June 21st, 2022 @ 6:30 pm

Closing Prayer: (Allen)