

1. The meeting was called to order by President Jeremiah Costello at 7:05pm
  - 1.1. Opening Prayer was led by Msgr Drake Shafer
  - 1.2. Roll was taken by Secretary Kelly Cole
  - 1.3. Approval of last meeting's minutes with no amendments
  - 1.4. The agenda was approved as presented
  
2. New Business and Commission/Team Reports
  - 2.1. Commission/Team Reports
    - 2.1.1. Building & Grounds – Talked to John Bremmar about Eagle Scout project for the rental house. Spring cleanup schedule for April 9<sup>th</sup>. There is a leak in sacristy and between Donna and Monsignor's office; need to get someone to look at the roof when the weather improves. Initiated a survey on lighting to see how we can reduce our costs. Pursuing option to look at using wind energy to reduce our costs.
    - 2.1.2. Church Life/Family Life – meeting was cancelled. The group is working to plan a new member welcome event for Feb 20<sup>th</sup>.
    - 2.1.3. Liturgy – reviewed schedule for Lent. Ash Wed March 9<sup>th</sup>. The only change from last year's schedule will be for Good Friday; moving mass from 3pm to 4pm. The Interdenominational service is 7pm. Easter Vigil cannot start before 8:45. We are publishing a full page Lenten calendar in the North Scott Press the first week of March. Communal Penance scheduled for April 3. Feb 19<sup>th</sup>, meeting in DeWitt 9:00 – 2:00 pm to start preparing for the upcoming Missal changes. We have 10 places reserved. The professional staff and Liturgy committee will be attending. We will start introducing the changes a little at a time. Mass stipens – can't guarantee that they will be said on the weekend. Greatest need is for the weekdays.
    - 2.1.4. Stewardship – Cancelled Feb food drive due to Souper bowl drive. Looking for ways to help people with trusts or leaving money to the parish. Diocesan study to help establish foundations. Next meeting Feb 15<sup>th</sup>.
    - 2.1.5. Finance – Looking for new ideas for how to generate more income for the parish. In the past we have had groups come in from other parishes to talk about tithing and what it means to share their treasures.
    - 2.1.6. Faith Formation – next meeting Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup>. Survey to see if there is interest in moving 6<sup>th</sup> graders to Wed night. Special Needs program starts this month; Nancy Shannon leading.
    - 2.1.7. Social Action – group is forming; has not started yet.
    - 2.1.8. Guild – bake sale this weekend. Money will go towards purchasing the Missalettes.

3. Mission statement Review – deferred to next meeting. Monsignor shared a version to review and consider by next week. Goal is to have this complete by Pentecost. Proposed from Parish Council to parish.
4. Parish Profile – Feb 27<sup>th</sup> at Our Lady of Lords; Jeremiah and Lolita Diericks will represent our parish at the next phase of the process. Monsignor suggested that we plan with Our Lady of the River, DeWitt & Clinton. The Diocese scheduled us to plan with Our Lady of Victory, St Paul's, Holy Family, & Sacred Heart at this meeting. We will share our profile with the parish the first Sunday of lent.
5. Pastor information, concerns & questions: Bishop will be here Pentecost Sunday to confirm the Special Needs adults. Need to reach out to the lost members of the parish. Update the kiosk to remind people of things going on in the church; things people can attend to be part of the community. Have a mentor family for new members. Send a letter to our current members in the bulletin asking everyone to reach out to people that have fallen away. Monsignor will draft a letter that we could send put in the bulletin. Lenten faith activity...
6. Old Business - nothing to report
7. Thank You's – St Ann's Guild, Choir & Dwight for all the work with the funerals. Monsignor for monetary gift. Nancy Shannon for taking on Special Needs.
8. Other Business – discuss in future meetings; mentoring of new families.
9. Closing Prayer – Father Drake Shafer
10. Motion to adjourn

Next Parish Council Meeting will be Mar 8<sup>th</sup>.