

Parish Council Minutes – September 19, 2013

In attendance: Mark Forsythe, Keith Neisus, Mary Novey, Charlie Connell, Pat Nolan, Dr. Mark Grunwald, Jim McGrath, Father Weighner

Call to Order

Opening Prayer

Minutes reviewed and approved from previous meeting

Ongoing Business: Father showed a video presentation that will be utilized in the fundraising effort for the building project. Father noted that cost estimates for the building project should be available next week.

New Business: Father related that the existing roof on the St. Gabriel's School requires replacement. The projected cost of this is \$75,000 to \$100,000. Bids from at least three companies are being obtained in this matter. \$45,000 is present in the We Belong To Christ fund that can be utilized towards repair expenses.

Regarding the repainting of St. John's Church, Father related that the project was completed at a cost of about \$30,000. This had been the projected cost for the process. Payment for this project was provided by a donor wishing to remain anonymous. Father noted that new fans and lighting (LED) for the church will also be available. Donna Steiner is repainting the existing Stations of the Cross.

It was also noted that the existing lawnmower for the parish is being replaced.

Regarding technology upgrades at Prairie Catholic Schools, Father related that projection units will be installed for each teacher this year. These units enhance student and teacher interaction in the classroom. The school system examined some different types of student computer devices and may look into introducing I-Pad-style devices for the students in the future.

Car Raffle: Father related that the drawing for the vehicle will occur Dec. 29 which is Holy Family Sunday. Mary Neisus is again the coordinator for the raffle. Father related that 3,000 tickets will be printed for

the raffle and are available at \$20 each or 6 for \$100. Twelve prizes will be awarded in all, with the grand prize being a 2013 Dodge Dart.

Discussion was held regarding the scheduling of a Mass of Remembrance later in the year. Father noted also that a Parish Mission will be held in the future.

Next Meeting: Oct. 17 at 7 p.m.

Closing Prayer

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