

St. Joseph's Parish Council Meeting September 27, 2023

Meeting is called to order at 7:00.

Present: Steve (Bomber) Kluesner, Brad Kotz, Toby Demmer, Steve Kluesner, Stephanie Lake, Breanna Lukes, and Beth Jarding. Absent: None

Father led with prayer.

First topic of discussion was wanting a game plan for confessional. It's getting looked at being located downstairs and Father said is in the process and continuously talking about where it can be.

JulyFest was a success and making plans for next year already. We need to look at maybe restructuring tents as it was congested when people get their food. All food trucks are committed for next year as well as polka. We should have a follow-up to the food trucks to make sure they are still available a few months before July. Crowd was great and lines were long. Beer stand was a good support addition and didn't seem to affect the auction.

Choir- Some priests want them to sit in the pews while they do their homily. Mary Kluesner was asked to talk to him about this as it can be a problem for some of our older parishioners and she is a choir member. She is going to wait until he says mass again and talk to him with Bomber if needed.

Cooler is gone in the basement but was unusable. The room does need some lighting and electrical if we decide to replace with another cooler. Some units are available in Epworth, both freezers and refrigerators, and are free for the hauling. We need to decide where we want to put it, but can keep them in the garage until we are ready to place them somewhere. Freezers would be nice in the garage for JulyFest. Brad, Toby, Steve, and Bomber will take care of picking them up in Epworth along with helpers for transporting.

Daryl, tuckpointing, looked at the entrance to Presentation Park and thought \$500 for entrance. To do something in the middle, we're looking at \$4,000-\$5,000 and we're looking at getting rid of it completely. His suggestion was to make a center column with a light and seat wall. We'd add pots and flowers. The statue of unborn could get taken apart as well and Brad suggested to put on a concrete slab. Beth Jarding made a motion to redo presentation park, spending a maximum of \$5000. Toby Demmer second and all were in favor.

No other items were needed to be discussed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:38.

Respectfully submitted by Beth Jarding