

## St. Stephen Pastoral Council Meeting June 11, 2024

**Opening Prayer:** Father Greg Oligschlaeger opened the meeting with prayer.

**Present:** Father Greg Oligschlaeger, Matt Hays, Logan Maher, Dillon Pfanner, Rose McNally, Emily Gares and Carol Hagan.

### **Pastor's Report:**

- The Stewardship Committee will host a ministry fair at the fall Family Faith Night on September 25, 2024. The purpose of the fair will be to educate parishioners on the ministry opportunities of our parishes.
- By this fall Father Greg would like the pastoral council to come up with a year long Stewardship theme. Examples might include: prayer, hospitality, or grief support. This theme would drive decisions at all levels of parish life. This theme will then be presented to the parish with a plan for implementation.
- Father Greg updated the council on some camp opportunities in our diocese.
- Father Greg encouraged all parishioners to participate in the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage as it travels through our diocese on July 1-5.
- Father Greg has been appointed as the state chaplain for the Knights of Columbus. He will serve a two year term.

## **Reports:**

- Sam Smith and Dillon Pfanner looked at the placement for new electrical lines for use around the tent area during the picnic. The line placement will dig through too many tree roots. An alternative will be to run an overhead line to the current pole and add more outlets. Jerry Maas will be contacted about this project with completion date by the picnic.
- On July 21, 2024, the date of the Swinkey Picnic the 8:00 mass will be held at the regular time and location. The 10:00 mass will be held in the Holy Rosary School gym. Father Greg will be at the Eucharistic Congress in Indiana so Father Mike will do the weekend masses.

## **Old Business:**

- Father Greg updated the council on several completed projects:
  - The HVAC in the parish rectory is complete and Father Greg will call about thermostat training and getting manuals for the newly installed units.
  - New lights have been installed in several areas of the church.
  - There is a new refrigerator in the gym kitchen.
  - Peter's did repair and maintenance on the gym air conditioning units.
  - New parish signs from Sign Pro have been installed.
- The next projects for parish improvements were prioritized:
  - Repair of the church soffit and gutters.
  - New church sound system.
  - Window and door replacement in the parish rectory.
- Matt Hays will contact Jen Richardson about a different date for a co-parish breakfast. It was suggested that we look at a date in the fall.

**New Business:**

- Matt will contact Richie Berhager about the soffit repair.
- There will not be Parish council elections for this year as Matt Hays has agreed to serve another term.
- Carol Hagan will contact Wright's Flooring about adding the downstairs bathroom and upstairs bathroom to the flooring bid. We will also take out the foyer area from the bid as we will keep the current wood floor.
- New asphalt will be laid from highway 24 through the parish property.

**Next Meeting:** August 27, 2024 at 6:30 in the gym.

**Closing Prayer:** Father Greg closed the meeting with prayer.

**Respectfully submitted,**



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Carol L. Hagan, Secretary



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Matt Hays, President