

Parish Council - 9/14/2023

Meeting: 7:15, Fr Ken led with prayer

Attendance:

Paul Moritz, Josh Harry, Jason Richards, Brian Werner, Fr. Ken, Deacons Fred and Don, Nick Rahe, David Reising, Steve Nosko (potential new member)

Faith Formation

Last week, first Family of Faith meeting
Had 21-22 parents show up with 20 families registered
42 children registered total

RE - 310 kids but more adding regularly
RCIA - 9 people registered so far
TMIY - Seeing new people, had second session today, 9/14
Oxtoberfest -
Starting basket planning within the groups
Will host the Glow Rosary the Wednesday beforehand

Women's Bible Study - Timeline
K-8 boys and 5-8th girls, Conquest and Challenge starting this Sun.

Knights

Officer meeting last Monday night
CPID - Hy-Vee Tootsie Roll Drive
Money goes to People with Intellectual Disabilities
Next Tootsie Roll drive at Fareway in Polk City coming up (19th-21st)
This coming Sunday evening - golf drive
1st, 2nd, and 3rd degree ceremony this coming Monday eve.
6pm start, business meeting afterwards
7 new members

Oxtoberfest

10/14 - date of event
Planning process - getting donations and preparing for the event
Parish Council needs to come up with a gift idea
Dinner, silent auction, kids games, polka lessons
Would like items collected by 10/1

New potential committee member: Steve
Moved here to the parish in June

Welcome Committee

10 new families in August

Social Concerns

Meals from the Heartland - November 14th

Onsite

All classes come through

Goal is 25,000 meals

Open to parishioners after school hours

Liturgy committee

Altar server training - End of October

Adding incense starting this month to Masses where Deacons are present but not preaching

Finance committee

Year-end book closing (June 30th) activities

10% over budget for tithing so far - sign of conservative budgeting Employee

Retention Credit - able to pay for driveway and future expansion, possibly air conditioning repair

We paid for Conquest and Challenge material up front

School committee

345 students in the 2023-2024 year

budgeted 325-335;

ESAs contributed to ~15 students

Tuition in the 2024-2025 will now go through the region and not the parish Due to Diocesan push to regionalize the schools in the diocese Unsure of impact to St Luke's at this time

How to increase attendance at Holy Days of Obligation

Splash page on website

Email blast specifically for the Holy Days

Upcoming events

October 14/15th - Pregnancy/Infancy/Infertility Loss awareness

Announced during Mass

September 31/Oct 1 - Blessing for new and expecting mothers

Eucharistic Revival -

Led by Deacon Fred

Bishop Barrons DVD series

Sunday nights, 5 Sundays before Advent, October 26th

Bishop Barron Book Give Away - This is My Body book giveaway at Christmas

Next meeting: October 12th, 2023

Fr. Ken will be in Germany

Fr. Ken will give Zoom credentials to Nick and/or David Reising

Meeting adjourned, 8:02PM