

Immaculate Conception Parish Council Meeting

June 23, 2011

Those in attendance: Joe Dvorak, Tracy Spry, Mary Dell Flattery, Jeanette Baldwin, Claire Gillion, Steve Barnum and Natalie Owens.

Tracy Spry agreed to be president again this year and Natalie Owens will be secretary.

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee: The Dishwasher is here and is suppose to be installed Friday, June 24th. It will be installed in the back room where the old one was and the old sink was replaced. It was decided to install an on demand hot water heater for the dishwasher. The cost is \$6500 for both. They are still working on getting the landscaping done on the back side of the church. They came to do the job and discovered there was an error in the bid amount that had to be approved and then the company had a big job they were doing so it will be completed when that job is complete. There is going to be a change in the Annual Diocesan Appeal this year and the funds will be handled like the capital campaign.

They also agreed to give a copy of the budget and then go over it and meet only if there are questions. Giving is up. They have also been working on RAGBRAI fundraiser. It will be a joint effort between churches and it will be at the Christian Church. They will make cinnamon rolls and each church is to supply 20 pies.

Church Life/Family Life: The finally gave a basket out. Attendance at the end of the year carnival was down. They had planned a young couples dinner on June 25th but it has been cancelled due to lack of response. They are working on other projects for the fall. They are also trying to finalize the details of church directories. Right now the cost is \$12-\$13 to print and will charge \$10 for them. There is money in the budget to offset the difference.

Social Action: Current members are Steve Barnum, Linda Barnum, Jen Gannon and Liz Birkenholtz. Currently working on plans for Rite to Life month in October. They are hoping to improve the Adopt a Family and the Food Pantry needs a place to go since the building they are in is up for sale.

Liturgy: They went over their budget. They are working on how to implement the changes coming. It was decided to implement them at advent. Some of the changed are around communion where we will remain standing until everyone has received communion and then you kneel until father sits. The changes will also bring a lot more chanting during the mass.

Our next meeting will be Thursday, August 25, 2011.