

Immaculate Conception Parish Council Meeting

July 22, 2010

Those in attendance were: Gen Gannon, Betty Krueger, Jeanette Baldwin, Tracy Spry, Claire Gillan, Joe Dvorak and Mary Dell Flattery

Opening prayer was given by Jeanette.

The following committee reports were given:

Faith Formation: Vacation Bible School will be held Aug 2nd-Aug 6th. There will be a sign up sheet for Volunteers and to donate items for the vacation bible school. Joe will be on vacation that week.

Church Life/Family Life: Jeanette reported that during their June 12th that they cut their budget to help the church's budget. They discussed the church directory and brochures. They are thinking about having a Halloween party for the parish members. Joe stated that a directory would cost approximately \$14-\$15 each if glossy paper was used. They plan to print the directory on plain paper and use stock card paper for the covers.

Social Action: There will be a clothing drive will be in October. The "Right to Life" month is coming up and Betty wondered if the parish should do something for it.

Liturgy: The idea was discussed about helping Newton with their mission during Lent. A discussion was also held about All Saints Day, the Feast of Immaculate Conception, Christmas and New Year's Day. The Feast of the Assumption will be on Sunday. The All Saints mass will be at 5:30 PM. The Feast of the Immaculate Conception will be on Wednesday, Dec 8 at 7:00 pm.

Finance Council: Joe reported that the rebates have come back from Mid-American Energy. The Finance council had approved the budget for the church and Dc. Joe presented it to the parish council for their review. The council is discussing a new hot water heater, sound system and landscaping for the north side of the church property with any money that is received from the Diocesan capital campaign.

Altar and Rosary: Karen Van Dusseldorp is the president this year.

Knights of Columbus: The Knights put in the small Holy Water font on the back pew so people will not have to cross over in front of people coming out of their pews on the west side of the church.

Planning Process: The diocese is planning a process for the next 10 years since there will be a larger shortage of priests. It will begin with a large meeting and the whole process will be explained to each parish. The strengths and weaknesses will be discussed then 2 parish members will be on committee on how to share and help each other. This is needed since there will be less priests than earlier planned. The Parish and Financial Council members and other interested parish members will need to attend the meeting in Pella on September 26 at 5 pm.

Adjourning Prayer was given by Betty.

The next meeting is September 23, 2010.