

St. Andrew's Annual Parish Meeting—November 4, 2007

Called to order by St. Mary/St. Andrew Council president, Bob Struck.

Attendance: 25

Opening Prayer: Fr. Tom

Secretary's report: Roseann Schraufnagel: approved by Leonard Schraufnagel and seconded by Fred Hafeman

Introduction of present council members.

Pastor's Report: Fr. Tom expressed that all was going well, and that parishioners are working well together. Spring clean-up went well although we are always in need of more helpers.

Committee Reports:

Prayer & Worship-Mary Hoffmann

- An ecumenical Thanksgiving Prayer Service for the area churches was hosted by St. Mary's in 2006, as well as a Prayer & Personality Workshop in the Parish Center (10 people attended) A Mass of Remembrance for 2006 was held at St. Andrew's for those who died that previous year.
- A joint parish Mission was sponsored with Fr. Richard Hart in Feb.
- St. Mary's hosted our 1st outdoor Mass and Potluck. Next year's will be @ St. Andrew's
- St. Mary's 150th Anniversary Mass and Celebration was successful. The Living Rosary was done @ St. Mary's in October. More attendance is encouraged. The Remembrance prayer for 2007 was also hosted by St. Mary's in November.
- The committee is working on restructuring the length of terms of its members and officers, and a liaison to council is requested to improve communication.
- Our organist, Dave Hagen, resigned in August and was replaced by Tammy Loos in October.
- The committee is continuing to work on its goals: developing music ministry, youth in liturgies, workshop attendance, scripture reading to co-ordinate environment, and creating and maintaining clean areas to enhance our worship experience.

Building & Grounds-Sue Weinberger

- Gerry Weinberger is our present maintenance man
- The window trim on the exterior of the church was painted and the interior around the windows is being monitored for condensation and repaired by the Conrad Schmitt Co., the painters of the interior of our church.
- The question arose as to the need of redoing any other of our stained glass windows. Per Leonard Schraufnagel the remaining windows which were not done several years ago are in good shape, probably for another 15-20 years.
- The ramp was another concern of parishioners. A temporary patch-job was completed but long-term restoration is one of the committee's goals for the upcoming year.
- New blinds were installed in the school hall. The exterior of the school walls were tucked pointed and sealed, including the renovation of the cornerstone. It looks very nice.

Christian Formation-Debbie Krapfl

- We have 141 CCD families; 214 students. All positions for teachers were filled this year
- A vacation bible school was held this summer which was very successful. This will be done again this upcoming year.
- A dance is planned for late this upcoming February

Human Concerns-Ann Guse

- The committee is involved in many different projects. Among them is quilting, which keeps some members busy year-round, with items donated to agencies serving the needing in our area of the state.
- They have an ongoing food drive to support the Mayville Food Pantry. A special plea goes out in summer for the food pantry with their Christmas in July program
- The Infant/Toddler Collection for the needy as well the May Baskets for Hygiene for the homeless are handled by this committee.
- They co-ordinate our joint parishes in the Crop Walk for Hunger with the other area churches in September to create awareness for hunger in the world
- Their Work of Human Hands sale also helps artisans in 3rd World countries. A sale is held through orders from a catalog and a few cash & carry items. Profit this year generated by this sale is being sent to Fr. Oriol in the Dominican Republic.
- Cold weather projects include: winter clothing drive, Christmas Socks in December, and the Giving Tree.
- The committee is always looking for additional members from St. Andrew's to join their committee. They are working on awareness and publicity in this endeavor.
- Promotion of Fair Trade products in one of their goals for the upcoming year.
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Finance-Roseann Schraufnagel

- The financial report was favorable. Income was up slightly from the previous year and expenses down creating a net revenue of \$22,000. The Restoration Fund had some sizable contributions, among them Octoberfest profit of \$10,858 for 2006, incurring minimal expenses. Restricted funds are at \$96,000.
- The Cemetery Fund shows a balance of \$62,729.

Old Business: none

Adjournment: motion made by Gene Hoffmann, 2nd by Fred Hafeman

Closing Prayer: Fr. Tom