

Church of St. Dominic
PPC MEETING NOTES

Monday May 14, 2018 7:45 p.m.

Attending: Fr. Denny, Dick Suess, Steve Koziolk, George Kinney, Mary Crow, Kathleen Doran Norton, Chris Barth, Mary Schmelzer. Guests in attendance: John Ernst and Matt Stenzel.

PPC Meeting nights

June 11	September 10	December 3
July (No PPC)	October 15	January 21
August 13	November (no PPC)	

Capital Campaign: the parish received a proxy from the diocese and the parish is approved to utilize funds raised up to \$151,000 for remodeling and updating systems at the rectory. Fundraising is in the “quiet” phase. It is expected there will be a parish-wide request after the initial \$100,000 is raised. If there are funds raised over the costs of the rectory remodeling, the excess will be held for replacement of the church’s furnace or for updates to the audio/visual system.

Archdiocesan Bankruptcy

Without involvement from the archdiocese, five pastors conducted a meeting for all parishes with the objective of trying to help advance the closing of the archdiocesan bankruptcy issue. The main focus of the meeting was to encourage parishes and individuals to volunteer funds which would be placed in a separate account for the victims of our diocese’s clergy abuse. It’s intended that the monies raised would show solidarity to the victims. The hope is a reasonably significant amount of money will be raised, but regardless of the total, will be modest in relation to the total amount of any settlement. Lawyers on both sides of the proceedings have volunteered to take no payment or percentage from these donations and the Archdiocese has agreed to forgo assessment on any donations given. The intent of this gesture is to show that, in addition to support for the victims, across the diocese parishioners and individuals are working toward a settlement agreement that the judge would accept. The funds would be released to the victims after a legal settlement is reached. If, as an individual you are interested in participating, please contact the parish office. Envelopes for your consideration were provided after masses the weekend of May 12 and 13. The ask was for 100% participation from parishes & St. Dominic chose to participate.

Committee Reports

Finance/Budget

The PPC reviewed the proposed 2018-2019 annual budget. The finance committee is waiting for additional information, then anticipate voting on the budget at the June PPC meeting.

Maintenance

Updates/remodeling is being performed at the rectory. Until now, there had been no updates done to the rectory since it was built. Updates include: removing the skylights, remodeling the kitchen and bathrooms, upgrading to gas heat from electric, new ceilings in the lower level, LED lighting, air conditioning, window maintenance.

Updates to the church's and social hall's audio/visual equipment are being explored.
All the upholstered chairs in the church and chapel have been redone with help from volunteers.
Exploring re-varnishing the church doors with volunteer help.

Faith Formation

Vacation bible camp will be held July 30 to August 3.

Environmental Care Committee

Weeding taking place at the rain gardens.

Exploring potential opportunity of being subscribed to solar energy with Cooperative Energy Futures.

Education

see attached

Pastors Report

There will be no trip to Mexico this year. Instead, Fr. Denny will be making a trip to the Boundary Waters Canoe Area. Contact Fr. Denny if interested in participating.

The Hispanic Leadership Committee has been meeting and anticipates having a representative at the PPC soon.