

The Church of the Epiphany

Pastoral Council

Meeting Notes

January 10, 2017

A. Catechism

A video was presented promoting devotion to the Most Holy Name of Jesus.

B. Open Mic:

1. Jerry Pierce expressed his disagreement with not having Saturday funerals, not including eulogies in funerals and the rules for decorations in the cemetery.
2. Louis Cellette asked whether evergreens could be kept up after the rest of the Christmas decorations are removed because they look great.

C. Securing our Legacy campaign

1. Approximately \$2,900,000 has been pledged, exceeding the goal of \$2,500,000. Approximately \$750,000 has been collected so far.
2. Garlock-French Corporation has been selected to replace the metal roof. The cost is within the budget. The color will be similar to the existing roof.
3. Staff is working on pew selection, with hopes of replacing them this coming summer.
4. Light fixtures will not be replaced. They will be retrofit with lower cost LED kits that will be comparable to the lighting that was planned.

D. The school has been developing a new vision, based on the theme of Citizens and Saints.

1. Well-Formed Citizens: A classical liberal arts curriculum will be used to develop well-formed citizens.
2. Christ-centered: The goal is to create saints.
3. Partnership with Families: Parents must continue to play an active role in the formation of their children.
4. A new funding model will incentivize faith participation.
 - a. Will move to a cost based tuition, which will make funds available for those in financial need.
 - b. Standard tuition will increase \$500 per year for four years. Parish partnership tuition, based on presence at Mass at least 24 times per year will increase by \$200 per year over the same period. Opportunities for expanded financial aid will be made available for these active parish members.
 - c. This model has received positive feedback from school families and from administrators at other schools.
 - d. The financial impact on the parish budget will be neutral.
5. This vision will be presented to the parish in coming weeks.

E. Programs coming up:

1. Fr. Kubista will present Mysteries of the Bible, Saturdays 9:00 – 10:30, January 14 – February 18.
2. Deacon Bruce Maltzen is leading a Thursday evening bible study called Engaging the Struggles of your Heart.

3. Contact Suzanne Lewis to participate in a small group, using the programs found in the FORMED website.

End of pastoral council meeting notes