

St. Patrick finance council

Meeting September 24, 2020 at 6pm in the Parish hall

Present: Bill Broghammer (new member), Bob Gravel, Jeff Whitson, Fr. Nick March, Doug Bean (guest observer as a part of diaconate formation program)

Excused: Jeremy Venenga, Sarah Breitbart

Discussed possibilities regarding fundraising. Fr. March explained some of the guidance that informs his decisions about fundraisers during covid-19. The council thought it would be helpful to have a bulletin column about this, to help people understand.

Fall Festival planning still on track for a virtual festival with an online auction and raffle drawing.

The School Annual appeal through Our Sunday Visitor is planned to take place in November and December. This will consist of various mailings, a speaker at Masses, and follow-ups and thank yous. The parish and school staff, as well as some volunteers and students, are involved in preparing the material for the brochure and school report documents. OSV does the layout of these materials and handles all the mailing. Projected estimate of net proceeds from the appeal are \$12,000 to \$16,000. This income is budgeted for in the school budget and is essential to help meet the budget.

The parish house windows project will be put on hold until next year due to lack of availability of professional installers because of the derecho.

Overall, Church funds seem to be doing well even during the covid-19 pandemic. Parishioners, volunteers, staff, and school community are all to be commended for their diligence.

Meeting adjourned around 7:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Fr. Nick March, secretary *pro-tempore*