

September 6, 2018

Opening Prayer

Recorder (See September update sent by John earlier this week.)

Members present: John P., Tom N., John M., Randy H. and Pat L.  
In addition, Parish-Council-at-large Lynne Beck sat in.

**Commission goals for 2019.** (1) Garage sale; (2) Sign completion; (3) Engagement of parish members (increase financial participation by 5% of registered families); (4) Raise funds and complete Veterans Wall; and (5) Develop a 10-year chapel plan.

**Low cost (LED) lighting.** John will be working with Pat Archer and Randy to construct a business plan to switch to LED lighting. Electric costs are one of biggest expense in parish. Additionally, solar panels on roof or out in field are being considered. Solar panels would be installed without initial cash outlay and would eventually pay for themselves over time.

**Parish Electronic Sign.** Construction has begun on Phase 1, the non-electronic portion of the sign at a cost of \$36,500. To reach this point, we have applied the garage sale results, paver sales, and substantial donations. Phase 2 will begin when the required funds are raised (\$30k), hopefully so electronic portion can be completed by Easter. So far, 123 pavers have been bought. Pavers will be sold in person through October. After October, in-person vs on-line sales plan needs to be constructed.

**Planned Giving/Endowment.** Our endowment is active. The \$25k match was received from CCF and processed. The fund balance is nearly \$70,000. First return, next March will be \$906. It was recommended to use any payout funds for student tuition assistance.

**Capital Campaign.** Lynch and Associates completed their parish-wide survey. They are currently assisting us with our Capital Campaign receptions with a goal of collecting 1.5 to 2 million dollars. The first reception was held Thursday, Sep 6, with four more in the coming week. So far, \$200,000 pledged.

**Financial update.** The fiscal year ended in the black - \$10,000 to the good. Funds will be used toward the PA system update. There was discussion as to how to encourage more families to join St. Joseph's. There is a need to extend an invitation to those people who visit our church – either to Mass once in a while, or because of attending other functions – to come back and join. It was suggested that there be a hand-out of some sort – a tri-fold pamphlet or a card listing everything the church has to offer and reminding people that we also have a great school. We need to get the word out.

**Garage Sale.** Planning for the 2019 garage sale is underway. The 2019 proceeds will be divided as follows: \$6k to a do-it-now project; balance to endowment. This will likely be the format in the future.

**Military Wall.** The design is complete. We have six service emblems. So far, \$1,200 has been collected toward the \$2,500 needed to complete the project.

Closed with prayers

Respectfully,

Pat Lawler