**St. Peter Church Pastoral Council**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Nov 16, 2023**

**The St. Peter Parish Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Ron Sayer.**

**Present: Debbie Coleman, Ron Sayer, Jean Lubich, Beth Walker, Father Francis, Dennis Desmond, Nancy Davidson, Mark Butner, Eileen Thompson, Brad Haslag, Tom Hoff, Lori Aldridge, Maria Gomez**

**Absent: Ryan Conway, Kathy Green Anthony Unwich, Napoleon Donre, Guadelupe Martinez, Mary McCoy**

**The meeting opened with a prayer from Father Francis.**

**Minutes of the Sept. meeting were reviewed . Beth moved to approve and Dennis seconded. Motion carried.**

**School Report**

* **Mary wasn’t present for a school report but Ron announced that St. Peter School was canceled on Friday, Nov. 17 due to illness.**

**Commission Reports:**

**Liturgy, Worship, and Spiritual Commission**

* **Advent and Christmas coming up. Ron handed out a calendar of events and masses coming up at church.**

**Social Concerns**

* **Two new members were welcomed to the Social Concerns Commission; Ryan Conway and Jean Lubich**
* **The weekly food drive has been going well. There will be an additional food collection on Thanksgiving.**
* **The Marshall Homeless Shelter and Services are greatly in need of volunteers. They will not hold a New Year’s Eve fundraiser because of lack of manpower to plan and run the event. They are hoping to possibly do an event in March. Next organizational meeting is 12/12/23 at the Marshall First Assembly Church.**
* **Daughters of Isabella will again be donating $1000 to St. Peter Church and are looking for possible items to purchase and/or paying for services instead of monetary donation. The same is true for their annual donations to St. Peter School,**
* **After 10 years of service, Brenda Mizer has decided to step down as coordinator for Meals on Wheels for our church. Christine Sause has volunteered to step into this role.**
* **Saline County Holiday Project will be held on Dec. 14, 2023 at the Martin Center. Applications are needed to work the event and donations of toys, food, and/or money are welcome.**
* **Knights of Columbus upcoming events; Nov. 19th Regular Breakfast, Dec. 2 - Breakfast with Santa, Dec 17. Regular Breakfast, Dec. 20- Member Christmas Social, Jan. 21 - Regular Breakfast, Feb 16 Shrimp Dinner**

**Administration & Finance**

* **No report**

**Christian Education**

* **4 students making First Eucahrist. There are also students from St. Peter School.**
* **Banners are gong to be ordered from PSR students as Youth Group raised $1250 @ Harvest Festival.**

**Hispanic Commission**

* **Enrique Castro came and talked about what music is appropriate for Masses.**
* **This weekend there is a Hispanic retreat in Sedalia.**

**Old Business**

* **There was no old business.**

**New Business**

* **Council Vacancy Appointments**

**Christian Education - Deanna Donnell**

**Social Concerns - Ryan Conway, Jean Lubich, Anthony Umwech, Napoleon Donre**

* **Council thanked Beth, Lori and Kathy for their service on the council.**
* **Catholic Stewardship**

**Hispanic community receives their forms next week.**

**There are still lots of parishioner envelopes left that will have to be mailed out.**

**The information is going to be put in a data base to get a more accurate count of parishioners.**

* **Election of 2024 Officers**

**President - TBD**

**Vice President - Tom Hoff**

**Secretary - Debbie Coleman**

**Debbie made a motion to table the nomination of President until we’ve approached a few more candidates. Brad seconded and the motion carried.**

**Clergy Report**

* **Virtus audit – Our VIRTUS participation will be audited next week. The result will provide recommendations for things we haven’t done to make sure individuals are up to date.**
* **New Micronesian council members are going to try to reach out to their respective communities. We have two different Micronesian communities in Marshall speaking two different languages.**

**There will be no December Parish Council meeting. The next meeting will be on Jan. 18, 2024**

**Father Francis closed the meeting with prayer.**

**Respectfully submitted by Debbie Coleman**