

CHURCH OF CHRIST THE KING  
PASTORAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING

NOVEMBER 11, 2023

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Father Morris. Those present were Mike Bosworth, Candy Costa, Christine Shephard, Jim O'Leary, Matt Silva, Andy Taylor, Rita Selby, Steve Kenney, Jim McLellan and Walter Richardson.

Candy Costa and Mike Bosworth advised the committee that the recent bazaar was a great success. The efforts of all those who participated were appreciated.

Father Morris advised the committee that Deacon Scott Brown was no longer doing maintenance work for the two parishes. He asked the committee to let him know if anyone knew of a person who could handle that role. It involves about 18 hours per week performing basic maintenance work at both parishes and some snow shoveling.

Regarding the rectory, Father Morris reported that it had been cleaned out and winterized. The utilities are shut off. A proposal was submitted to the Diocese, but was not approved.

A cleaning company has been retained to clean the church proper once a month. Mike Bosworth suggested that the cleaning service also periodically clean the choir loft. Father Morris advised that Wi-Fi had been installed in the church as part of the security system. A furnace company has been consulted regarding the controls and will be submitting a proposal to loop the heating system.

Thanksgiving Mass will be at St Anthony's Church at 8:30. A giving tree will be set up at Christ the King Church. There was a general discussion about setting up an outside nativity scene. Christine Shephard announced that she would be organizing a bake sale for the weekend of December 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. Donations of baked goods will be solicited. Also Christmas plants will be sold.

Rita Selby noted that Grandma's Attic had income of \$2863.75 since the previous report. More than half of the income came from the bazaar. She noted that the proceeds are used for community outreach. Currently there are only enough volunteers to operate the store once a week.

Andy Taylor suggested a second collection to purchase food for those in need. Steve Kenney noted that he was familiar with a process at a parish that they had a loose change collection which was quite successful.

Mike Bosworth inquired if there was a way to publicize in the bulletin, website or Facebook if a parishioner had passed away. With fewer obituaries sometimes we are not aware of the death of a parishioner.

Matt Silva discussed family night for the religious education program. It will be at Christ the King on December 9<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are needed for preparing and serving food. Jim McLellan noted that for this event or similar events in the future the boy scouts may be able to help.

The next meeting will be on February 12, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.