Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish Council Minutes June 17, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 6:07.

Estrella Brown gave the opening prayer.

Present at the meeting were the following: Fr. Mark Gikenyi, Deacon Paul Cramer, Connie Ramos, Ron Haley, Jackie Schiedler, Jewel Lee, Estrella Brown. Absent: Elmer Williams

A. PROJECTS-RON

- 1. On Highway 30, one of our NBVM signs advertising the mass times for the east bound traffic was removed from the fence. The sign for the west bound traffic was lowered. Ron will look into this situation. He may still have the requirements from the highway dept.
- 2. The hall roof should be completed by the end of July. Scott Anderson said that they would start the middle of July. A 50% down payment has already been paid.
- 3. The improvement to the sacristy and the building of an office in the hall's backroom is still on the list of items to work on but on a lower priority level.
- 4. High priority needs are as follows:
- a. Siding for the rectory-Ron has looked into the cost of painting the rectory which could be around \$18,000 or putting on siding which could be around \$20,000.
 - b. Moss removal on the roof of the church
 - c. Power washing the church-Russ Lenoir has volunteered to do that
- d. The rectory also has a lot of loose wires hanging inside and outside of the building. These need to be fixed and to find the source of these wires.

B. SACRAMENTAL CERTIFICATES-JACKIE

- 1. Certificates can only be purchased in a bundle, sometimes 50 at a time. Since we really don't need that much, Jackie has suggested that we work on purchasing templates instead to make the certificates when we need them.
- 2. The templates can be purchased so that they will be downloaded on the church's office computer. Jackie will be doing more research in that area.

C. PARISH DIRECTORY

- 1. The last directory was over 10 years ago. We definitely need a new which should also include email addresses.
- 2. A photography company is usually hired to take the photos and put the directory together in hopes that parishioners will make individual purchases on family portraits.
- D. No update has been given on the Archbishop's Catholic Appeal
- E. The Finance Council will have a meeting to discuss the budget for the year. The different ministries need to submit a budget so that the council will know what is needed. Proposed budget for the ministries is attached to these minutes.
- F. The name on the PO Box needs to be changed.
- G. No advent retreat for 2021. A Lenten retreat is a possibility for 2022.
- H. A Memorial Mass to celebrate the lives of those parishioners who passed away in 2020 and 2021 during the COVID shut down could take place in Nov. We will revisit this item at our next Parish Council meeting.

The next PC meeting will be on Thursday, Sept. 16, 2021. Jewel will do the opening prayer, and Ron will do the closing prayer.

Jackie ended the meeting with her closing "prayer." The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Estrella Brown

PROPOSED BUDGETS FOR 2021-2022 Ministries/Nativity of the BVM

FLOWERS-\$750.00

LITURGICAL COSTS-\$1,025

SACRAMENT SUPPLIES-\$4,000.00

MUSIC AND MISSAL SUPPLIES-\$3,600.00

JANITOR SUPPLIES (CHURCH ONLY)-\$750.00

LITURGICAL ITEMS DRY CLEANING-\$300.00

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND PERIODICALS-\$450.00

SUPPLIES CHURCH-\$200.00

RCIA-\$300.00

STAMPS-\$300.00

HOSPITALITY (INCLUDES SUPPLIES FOR THE HALL)-\$1,000.00

LANDSCAPING-JACKIE-\$500.00

MONDAY CRAFTERS (SUPPLIES)-\$500.00