

St. Henry's Pastoral Council

**Meeting (11/18/25) – Meeting
7:00 p.m. Community Room**

Members Present: Father John Cronin, Jim Colton, Mary Ellen Trumbull, Amber Jeffer, Julie Hanson, Roberta Harvey, Cathy Peake

Also Present: Gail Lindeman – Trustee, Sarah Tripp – Religious Ed Coordinator

- **Opening Prayer**

- **Review of September 23 minutes**
Approved

- **Updates:**

a. Review of Fall Fest

Success! Student volunteers were very helpful. Over 100 people in attendance; 49 tickets sold after masses and 55 tickets sold at the door. Microphone feedback was problematic and it was hard to hear announcements in some spots of the hall. A thank you message is forthcoming in the bulletin. Photos from the event have been posted on social media.

b. Mega Raffle

Approximately 170 tickets have been sold to date. Four tickets were sold at the Fall Festival and seven tickets have been sold at Lakeview. A push to sell will occur on St. Nick's weekend. Sarah will verify that ticket stubs match all signatures from sales. Consider posting the raffle drawing on Facebook Live.

c. Santa's Breakfast for Dinner

Santa's booked! Station activities are planned for participants: cookie decorating, ornament making, sing-a-longs, letters to Santa. Potential for high attendance due to Super Raffle Drawing. More tables may be needed in the main hall and the blue room can be used for activities/overflow.

d. Traditional Fall Raffle – moved to the Spring at Welcome Home Festival

Drawing will occur at the Welcome Home Breakfast, Palm Sunday weekend.

- **New Business: Just a Vine Paint Party: Small Business offering Paint Parties. Owned by Karen Vrandenburg. Has asked Father if she can hold a party at St. Henry's.**

For parishioners to sign-up and pay. Father John and Cathy are open to opening the event to the Public. In the case of a public event, a parish representative should be on site; Julie is willing to attend, schedule permitting. Potential fundraising activity. Vendor has insurance.

Must revisit protocols around renting the hall in the future – refer to the financial council.

- **Christmas party: We will have a joint Finance Council/Pastoral Council/Trustee Christmas Party - does December 16th work! Location?**

Hold the date, Cathy will confirm. Please bring a dish to share.

- **Other Proposals**

Roberta – International Food Festival Fundraiser. Parishioners sign up for a booth to show case food based on their cultural heritage. May include a raffle, activities for kids, international music, cultural donations.

Father John – QR code for Diocesan Appeal to be placed in the Bulletin. Also QR codes for the Appeal and E-Giving to be placed on display in the gathering area.

Sarah – St. Nick's weekend on December 7th. Children will leave a shoe in the gathering area this year. Sarah will send an email to Faith Formation families to advertise the event.

The next Pastoral Council meeting is tentatively scheduled for December 16th at 7pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jim Colton